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during a discussion on improvised explosive devices at an exercise Tuesday between Japan Air Self-Defense Force 3rd Air Wing guard and transportation troops and 35th Fight Wing security forces. Above right: A Japanese airman examines a fake pipe bomb. The two sides shared techniques they use during vehicle search operations.

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States

Fla. right-to-die case: The husband of a brain-damaged woman accused Florida Gov. Jeb Bush and state legislators of pandering to voters by trying to pass legislation preventing the removal of her feeding tube.

Michael Schiavo leveled the accusations Tuesday in an interview for ABC's "Nightline" after state House and Senate committees endorsed bills aimed at preventing removal of Terri Schiavo's feeding tube. A tudee has scheduled the removal for Friday.

Pinochet banking help: Not just Riggs Bank, but eight others — including Citigroup and Bank of America — helped former Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet and members of his family build a secret network of accounts to conceal his wealth, Senate investigators have found.

In a report released Tuesday, the investigators charged that Riggs's dealings with Pinochet were far more extensive and long-standing than had been known.

University of Colo. grants: A philanthropic organization that has given the University of Colorado nearly \$2 million in the past three years has delayed fulfilling grant requests this year, in part because of the school's recent scandals, the organization's president said.

Some board members were concerned about problems facing the university, including the investigation of a professor who compared some Sept. 11, 2001, victims to a Nazi, the football recruiting scandal and questions about the finances of the university's fund-raising arm. Others wanted to look at the success of previous grants.

World

Madrid train bombing: Lawmakers probing the Madrid, Spain, train bombing on Wednesday rejected a request to hear more testimony and instead set an April 19 deadline for draft proposals that would be included in a final report on Spain's worst terrorist attack.

The conservative Popular Party, which was in power at the time of the attack March 11, 2004, has been pressing for the 16-member panel to hear from more police and other witnesses, but the panel said no on Wednesday.

Japanese claim on islands: A provincial assembly voted Wednesday to assert Japan's territorial claim over a cluster of



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U.S. tsunami aid: The hospital ship USNS Mercy awaits port services in January after arriving in Singapore to take on supplies and personnel. The ship left Indonesia's Aceh province Wednesday, ending the U.S. military's tsunami relief in the area. The ship planned to stop in eastern Indonesia to treat patients there on its way home, the U.S. Embassy said.

South Korean-held islands, raising the stakes in a dispute that has strained relations between the two countries.

The islets are known in Japan as Takeshima and in South Korea as Dokdo.

The South Korean government reacted angrily to the vote, sending an official protest to Tokyo demanding the immediate cancellation of the move

Oil production: Driven by fears of a winter supply crunch at year's end, OPEC oil ministers agreed Wednesday to immediately authorize the pumping of an extra half-million barrels of oil a day and to approve a similar boost later if prices do not fall.

The decision to look to winter and raise the OPEC production quota just ahead of the northern hemisphere springtime—when demand normally falls—was unusual. It reflected concern about OPEC's ability to influence a stubbornly bullish market that has driven prices of benchmark light crude up about 25 percent this year alone.

Beauty queen trial: A beauty queen who shot and killed her two-timing boyfriend was acquitted of murder in Savannah, Ga., Wednesday after claiming she acted in self-defense.

Sharron Nicole Redmond admitted shooting her boyfriend outside the home of another woman he was dating but said she thought he was reaching for a gun. He did not have a weapon.

Redmond, 23, had faced an automatic life sentence if convicted of Kevin Shorter's 2003 slaying. Four months earlier she had been crowned Miss Savannah.

The jury of nine women and three men deliberated for a little more than nine hours over two days.

Pakistan rape: Pakistan authorities said on Wednesday that they have posted more than two dozen police officers outside a woman's home to guard her after a court freed four of the six men convicted of raping her — an attack ordered by a village council as punishment for her brother's alleged misdeed.

The four men walked out of a high-security jail nearly three years after being convicted of raping 33-year-old Mukhtar Mai. The four men have been told "to stay away from Mukhtar Mai's house," Iqbal said.

Pope's health: Pope John Paul II made a surprise appearance Wednesday at an open window of his apartment overlooking St. Peter's Square in Vatican City, his first in public since being released from the hospital after throat surgery.

The 84-year-old pontiff appeared briefly to pilgrims who had gathered on the square on a day when the pope typically greets the faithful in a weekly public audience.

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U.S., JASDF units practice gate-guard duty

BY JENNIFER H. SVAN Stars and Stripes

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan - The sudden barrage of what sounded like artillery fire as a car sped through the gate was loud enough to startle the bomb-sniffing dog but was just one of several exercise scenarios Tuesday. designed to bolster security at this northern Japan base

Members of the 35th Fighter Wing and Japan Air Self-Defense Force's 3rd Air Wing often train together at this joint fighter installation, most notably with their pilots and planes. But this week each wing's security troops are joining for the first time to train on vehicle search procedures.

"In higher force-protection conditions, we may call upon JASDF to provide extra personnel to help support search operations at the gate Capt. Cheryl May, installation antiterrorism officer, 35th Security Forces Squadron.

The training lets the two sides of serve each other's rules of engage ment in an effort to streamline such procedures where possible, officials said. Operating by the same guidelines may ease confusion in a chaotic, potentially deadly situation where two languages are being spoken, May said

Tuesday, U.S. security officials ob served how JASDF personnel reacted to a vehicle running the gate, Mai, Joe Milner, 35th Security Forces Squadron commander, said JASDF troops follow a different procedure; they offer several verbal warnings and a warning shot before firing.

"We don't authorize warning shots," Milner said. "When you fire a bullet up, it's got to come down some where; typically it's not on the base. If you're blowing through the gate, you're considered a hostile person.

"We're just kind of walking through some of the practical parts - 'If this happens' — what each side will bring to the fight," he added.

Also for the training, U.S. explosive ordnance disposal experts planted fake improvised explosive devices on several exercise cars entering a gate the JASDF hospital, watched as JASDF guards and transportation troops, with their bombsniffing dog, searched the vehicles.

Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Hurley and Staff Sgt. Jonathan Homer later answered questions from JASDF about the IED props from a pipe bomb to a radiological dispersing device concealed in a briefcase

They started to talk about WMD -



PHOTOS BY JENNIFER H. SVAN/Stars and Stripes

Capt. Cheryl May, installation antiterrorism officer for 35th Security Forces Squadron. Misawa Air Base, Japan, helps secure a roadway during an exercise Tuesday with Japan Air Self-Defense Force guard and transportation troops from the 3rd Air Wing. U.S. and JASDF security forces are practicing vehicle search operations this week in an effort to mesh their procedures and enhance cooperation

or weapons of mass destruction - before JASDF's translator explained that no, the question was about military working dogs - or "MWD" and the chemicals they can smell.

Homer and Hurley could answer that, too: "They're normally trained to detect nine types of explosives but every dog is different in their qualities and abilities." they said.

The training was to delve further into IEDs and explosive detection training Wednesday. Though IEDs seem to be the weapon of choice in Iraq, May said, in Japan, "We've got to be ready for it. The more prepared we are, the harder the target we are

Also on tap Wednesday were com-bined vehicle searches at the base main gate and an antiterrorism "level one" briefing, translated into Japanese for JASDF Jananese National Police and Army and Air Force Exchange Service employees who don't speak English, May said. Topics to be covered included the recent Russian hostage incident and the Kobar Towers terrorist bombing in Saudi Arabia. "Stuff to be aware of. how to report it," May said. E-mail Jennifer H. Svan at: svani@pstripes.osd.mil



these were used in the exercise.

IDs to get closer look at Misawa

Gate quards at Misawa Air Rase Janan are now hand-inspecting identification cards of all drivers and pedestrians entering the base, 24 hours a day.

Drivers must null out their ID card and hand it to the guard; passengers need only show their identification. Previously, gate guards visually inspected ID cards, with hands-on inspections con-ducted randomly or if a card looked suspicious, base security officials said.

The Air Force in February 2004 directed all bases to check "100 percent ID of all drivers and pedestrians," said Maj. Joe Milner, 35th Security Forces Squadron commander. "We have imple mented that to different degrees ever since then.
We have gone to 100 percent (hands-on) ID checks as a random measure before, but it was highlighted recently to us that we have to make it 100 percent all of the time."

During the Unit Compliance Inspection that ended March 4, a member of the Pacific Air Forc-es Inspector General team was able to drive on base with a counterfeit ID, Milner said.

"We took a hit for it during the UCI; that was a finding," he said.

But the security forces commander stressed that base officials don't believe base security was lax. "We didn't agree with" the finding, he said, noting the inspector was driving an IG-marked car and as such, was treated as a distinguished visitor and was not questioned.

Security forces ran their own surprise test by having some first-term airmen swap their IDs and try to gain access to base. "They got nailed and try to gain access to base. "They got nailed every time," Milner said. "That proved to us our security was strong in catching people.

Milner said another reason for the 100 percent ID inspection is counterfeit Defense Department IDs have been showing up recently in the United States; thorough examination of IDs is the standard at stateside military bases.

The Misawa gate ID policy change went into effect Monday and immediately caused a huge traffic snarl during the morning commute. During the peak traffic hours of 6:30 to 8:30 a.m. Monday, it took about 1½ to two hours to get onto base, "depending on where you were at," Milner said. Cars were slowed because many drivers weren't prepared to pull out their ID cards and hand them to the guards, Milner said. By Tuesday, the wait was down to about 20 minutes, officials said, and Wednesday, a motorist entering the main gate around 8 a.m. reported no delays.

Milner said Japan Air Self-Defense Force troops soon will augment U.S. security forces at the gates to help check IDs faster. For the first time, JASDF 3rd Air Wing and security forces members conducted training in various vehicle search operation procedures at Misawa this week

- Jennifer H. Svan

Luncheon recognizes notable women of Misawa Cady Stanton, Fannie Lou Hamer still so much work to be done in

By JENNIFER H. SVAN Stars and Stripes

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan -Women who've made a difference in the Misawa community were mentioned alongside those who have left indelible marks on history at a Women's History Month luncheon here Wednesday

Guest speaker Mai. Gen. Barbara C. Brannon, the Air Force's top-ranking nurse and assistant surgeon general for medical force development and nursing services, talked about her four female heroes: Abigail Adams, Elizabeth

and Sima Samar. The first three were staunch ad-

ocates of women's rights long be fore the term "feminism" was coined, and Samar continues to fight for the rights of women in post-Taliban Afghanistan. In challenging the audience to

read more about these remarkable women, Brannon said: "Never underestimate the power of one woman" and of individual voices

"Each of us has the responsibility to make the world a better place," Brannon said. "There's

our communities, in our nation and in our world." Misawa's Women's History

Month Committee also used the luncheon to recognize winners in an awards program that it hopes to make an annual event, said Maj. Jody Ocker, Women's History Month project officer.

Twenty women on base were nominated in six categories for the Women Change Misawa Recognition Program.

"It was very difficult to choose," Ocker said. "We had a first-grader nominate their teacher, children nominating their parents, spouses nominating their wives, and co-workers nominate women who have inspired excellence in their work

The awardees and their respective categories were:

■ Japanese National: Kyoko Iasegawa, 35th Fighter Wing nublic affairs off-base communi

Civilian Category A: Rochelle Phelps, Family Advocacy outreach manager

■ Civilian Category B: Sharon Stone, Misawa American Red Cross and 35th Medical Group

■ Enlisted: Staff Sgt. Gloria Banks, community volunteer. ■ Officer: Mai. Samia Ochia.

emergency room family practice ■ Youth-Nominated: Lisa Wan-

gelin, nominated by 9-year-old daughter, Emma. Nominees received a certifi-

cate signed by 35th Fighter Wing Commander Brig. Gen. Bill Rew The winners also received a \$25 Army and Air Force Exchange Service gift certificate and a flower arrangement.

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Iraq parliament opens amid nearby bombings

BY RAWYA RAGEH

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD - Iraq's first freely elected parliament in half a century began its opening session Wednesday after a series of explosions targeted the gathering.

The parliament's 275 members, elected during Jan. 30 balloting, convened in an auditorium amid tight security in the heavily guarded Green Zone, with U.S. helicopter gunships hovering overhead.

Minutes before the assembly convened at least a half-dozen explosions detonated a few hundred yards away. The U.S. military said two mortar rounds landed inside the zone but caused no injuries.

After Wednesday's session ended, an-other mortar shell hit an empty building in central Baghdad's Karradah neighbor hood, setting the two-story structure on fire, police and witnesses said. There were no reports of injuries.

The lawmakers opened with a reading of verses from the Quran. Iragi Chief Justice Medhat al Mahmoud

then administered the oath to the assembled deputies.

"It is a great day in Iraqi history that its elected representatives meet," said Fuad Masoum, a Kurdish delegate

"This day coincides with a painful memory that has many meanings. ... Today, on this occasion, we celebrate the inauguration of parliament after the fall of this re-

Wednesday marked the anniversary of the Saddam Hussein-ordered chemical attack in 1988 on the northern Kurdish town of Halabja, an attack that killed 5,000 peo-

Iraqi leaders have not yet agreed on a coalition government, and the leader of the Shiite-dominated United Iraqi Alliance, cleric Abdel Aziz al-Hakim, said his alliance hoped to "form a government whose motto is to serve the Iraqi people, a government of national unity and reconcil-

"A government that can root out violence and set a trial for Saddam and the elements of his regime," Hakim said in a speech that wove in and out of prayer. He said a government led by the alliance would also try "to achieve the independence of Iraq and put an end to the role of multinational forces in Iraq.

Jalal Talabani, the Kurdish leader who will probably become Iraq's next presi-



Iraq's National Assembly, the country's first freely elected parliament in half a century, convenes in Baghdad on Wednesday. The gathering marks a major milestone on the road to forming a new government in the insurgent-racked country.

dent, said deputies "all have a duty to achieve real national unity.'

"Iraq is facing tough times due to the continuation of criminal terror crimes," he said. "Al-Oaida is waging a war of extermination on Kurds and Shiites.

On Tuesday, Shiite Muslim officials said they failed to reach final agreement in talks with the Kurds - who are mostly

Sunni Muslim but secular - and the Sunni Arabs

Ali al-Dabagh, a member of the United Iraqi Alliance, which won the most seats in the elections, said Tuesday that Shiite. Kurdish and Sunni Arab politicians would meet after the deputies are sworn in "to finalize things. We need two to three days to announce an agreement."

No timetable for troops to leave Iraq, says Bush

BY TERENCE HUNT The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - President Bush said Wednesday he understands the desire of U.S. coali tion partners to withdraw troops from Iraq, but he declined to set a timetable for bringing American forces home and said he hoped others would also stay the course

"Our troops will come home when Iraq is capable of defend-ing herself." Bush told report-

Bush spoke a day after Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi announced plans to start drawing down his country's 3,000-strong contingent in Iraq amid widespread anger over the recent killing of an Italian officer by U.S. troops. Some 14 nations have with

drawn troops since the U.S.-led March 2003 invasion of Iraq. In a news conference at the

White House, Bush said he had spoken by telephone to Berlusconi earlier in the day and they talked about both Iraq and Bush's recommendation of Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz to become head of the

"He wanted me to know that there was no change in his policy, that, in fact, any withdrawals would be done in consultation with allies and would be done depending upon the ability of Ira-qis to defend themselves," Bush

Bush shrugged off a question about detainees being sent by the United States back to their countries, where they could be tortured.

"The United States must make sure we protect our peo ple and our friends from attack. One way to do so is arrest people and send them back" to their home countries, he said, "We seek assurances that no one will be tortured.

On Iraq, Bush denied that what the administration has called the "coalition of the willing" was crumbling.

Bush also praised Iraq for Wednesday's opening session of the country's first freely elected parliament in half a century. Bush called the meeting "a bright moment" in Irag's histo

Gen. Myers: Afghanistan may be host to long-term U.S. bases

By Stephen Graham The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan - America's top general said Wednesday that Afghanistan is secure and the United States is considering

long-term as it repositions its military forces around the world.

Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of Joint Chiefs of said

the Taliban

religious militia was "essentially in disarray" since failing to disrupt Afghanistan's landmark pres-

idential election last year

"Security is very good throughout the country, exceptionally good," Myers told reporters at Kabul airport after talks with Afghan President Hamid Karzai

Myers said no decision had been reached on whether to seek permanent bases on Afghan soil But clearly we've developed good relationships and good partnerships in this part of the world, not only in Afghanistan," he said, also mentioning existing U.S. bases in Uzbekistan and Kyr-

gyzstan. "That'll all be considered as we go forward with the whole global basing construct," he said. "Clearly the United States has an interest in the long-term security and stability in Afghanistan, so we'll be discussing that future relation-

The Afghan government has said it is seeking a "strategic partnership" with the United States spanning economic and political ties as well as military. It has yet to say whether that would include permanent U.S. bases in the coun try, which neighbors Iran, Pakistan and oil-rich Central Asia

Three years after driving out the Taliban for harboring Osama bin Laden and his al-Oaida network, the U.S. military has about 17,000 soldiers in Afghanistan and operates air bases at Bagram, Kandahar in the south and Jalalabad in the east. Taliban-led militants continue

to mount regular ambushes and roadside bombings, and there is a danger from explosives left over from Afghanistan's more than 20 vears of conflict.

On Wednesday, a Humvee carrying U.S. military police near a U.S. base in Shindand, in the west near the Iranian border, hit a land mine, killing one soldier and injuring four. One suffered a severe back injury, another was in stable condition and two were treated and returned to duty. None of the soldiers were identi-

Maj. Steve Wollman, a U.S. spokesman, said the mine was ap-parently laid during one of Afghanistan's earlier wars. A search of the area found no sign it

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Blast outside U.S. bases kills four Iraqis

By CHARLIE COON Stars and Stripes

BAQOUBA, Iraq — Four Iraqi soldiers were killed and another 17 wounded Wednesday when a car bomb exploded at a checkpoint outside the gates of Forward Operating Bases Warhorse and Scunion

Some U.S. troops first thought the explosion was a planned blast to destroy enemy bombs. But the blast wasn't planned, at least not by the U.S. soldiers, who were soon scrambling to save their comrades in the Iraqi army

"They're just here to do their jobs, to help," said Sgt. Charles Graham. "To me, losing one of them is like losing one of us

Soldiers from Graham's unit, the 2nd Battalion, 69th Armored Regiment, arrived on the scene from Scunion as Iraqi soldiers piled the casualties into the backs of their white Toyota pickups. The casualties were driven to the gate at FOB Warhorse and met by U.S. medics and combat ambulances from Warhorse's clinic.

"It was pretty messy," said Graham, whose unit had performed missions with the same group of Iraqi soldiers. "A lot of guys were injured by shrapnel. There was a lot of blood a lot of blood

All of the casualties were members of the 204th Iraqi Army Battalion. There was no immediate word if there were civilian casu-



A wounded Iraqi soldier is treated by medics from Company C, 203rd Forward Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade Team, 42nd Infantry Division, after a car bomb exploded Wednesday morning in Baqouba, Iraq.

alties. No U.S. soldiers were wounded

Graham's soldiers secured the scene, and the frantic Iragis were met at Warhorse's gate by medics from Company C, 203rd Forward Support Battalion. In the minutes after

the 8:43 a.m. blast, the clinic received radio reports that four were wounded, then eight, nine and 16. It sent more help as the casual-

At the gate, the medics sifted through the

"The first two guys I saw were dead," said Sgt. 1st Class Kevin Louris. "We moved them out of the way to get to the other guys. "We tried to get the most critical guys [to

the clinic first]," he said.
Once at the clinic, called the Teal Medical

Facility, the wounded were carried on stretchers from the ambulances into the clinic and its waiting team Others weren't so lucky

Besides the two Iraqi soldiers who died at the scene, one was declared dead at the front gate of Warhorse and the fourth died the operating table, according to Dr. (Maj.) Andy Magnet, brigade surgeon for the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, which is based at FOB Warhorse.

In addition to those killed, eight Iraqi soldiers were evacuated for treatment to the 31st Combat Support Hospital at Logistics Support Area Anaconda about 30 miles to the west. Eight Iraqi soldiers were treated and returned to duty. One was scheduled to stay overnight at the Warhorse clinic.

According to Maj. Adnan Gassan, one of the Iraqis in charge, the car bomber drove past him at the checkpoint before detonating his blast. The driver, Gassan said, was a boy who appeared to be 13 or 14 years old.

All four of those who died were married with children. Gassan said.

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Americans: Iraq better off, but war not worth fighting

WASHINGTON - Two years after President Bush led the country to war in Iraq, Americans appear to be of two minds about the situation in the Middle East: A majority say they believe Iraqis are better off today than they were before the conflict began but they also say the war was not worth fighting in the first place, according to a new Washington Post-ABC News Poll.

The January elections in Iraq have clearly helped to shift public opinion in a positive direction about the future of Iraq and the rest of the Middle East, with a clear majority of Americans (56 percent) saving they are now confident that Iraqi leaders will be able to create a stable government there, a dramatic turn-

The poll also shows that more Americans believe the war has improved the chances of democracy spreading in the Middle East than who say it has diminished those prospects.

Despite the optimism about the future, the poll suggests there has been little change in the negative public opinion about the funda mental decision to go to war: 53 percent of Americans war was not worth fighting, 57 percent said they disapprove of the president's handling of Iraq and 70 percent said the number of U.S. casualties, including more than 1,500 deaths, is an unacceptable price to pay there

The poll was conducted by tele-phone March 10-13 among 1,001 randomly selected adults nationwide. Margin of sampling error is three percentage points

Iragis happy with direction, poll says

Stars and Stripes

More Iraqis believe their country is headed in the right direction and fewer think it's going wrong than at any time since the U.S. invasion two years ago, according to a new

The poll, by the International Republican Institute, to have been made public Wednesday, also found that nearly half of Iraqis believe that religion has a special role to play in government, USA Today reported in its Wednesday editions.

The survey of 1,967 Iraqis

was conducted Feb. 27-March 5, USA Today reported. According to the poll, 62 percent say the country is headed in the right direction and 23 percent say it is not.

In September, 45 percent of Iraqis thought the country was headed in the wrong direction and 42 percent thought it was headed in the right direction. The IRI is a nonpartisan, U.S. taxpayer-funded group that promotes democracy abroad.

Pollsters did not survey three of Iraq's 18 provinces because of security and logistical con-

AF secretary to retire

WASHINGTON - Acting Air Force Secretary Peter Teets will retire by the end of this month after only two months on the job, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper said Wednesday.

Jumper's comments came during testimony by both men before the House Armed Services Committee. Teets took over the post when former secretary James Roche retired Jan. 20.

Sources said he will be retir-ing from both jobs on March and that Michael L. Dominguez, currently assistant secretary of the Air Force for manpower and reserve affairs, will take over as secretary.

Teets is the retired president of Lockheed Martin Corp. and has held jobs with several prominent aerospace

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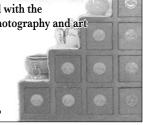
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IN THE STATES

DOD mail anthrax scare was false alarm

BY LAURA MECKLER The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — An apparent mix-up at a Richmond, Va., laboratory is being blamed for the anthrax scare that closed three area mail facilities that handle Pentagon-bound mail, and prompted nearly 900 workers to receive anti-

The two-day scare that recalled the fatal bioterrorism attacks of 2001 turned out to be a false alarm after definitive tests at two facilities came back negative Tuesday for the deadly spores.

Officials believe the confusion stemmed from a mistake at the laboratory that did the initial testing, and the mistaken conclusion was confirmed by a Defense Department laboratory at Fort Detrick,

The working theory is that workers at the initial laboratory, Commonwealth Biotechnology Inc. in Richmond, contaminated the sample taken from the Pentagon with actual anthrax that is kept on hand

for comparison purposes, a Homeland Security official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Wednesday. That would explain why the sample came back as posi-

tive for anthrax.

That initial sample, possibly already contaminated, was then delivered to Fort Detrick, which con-

firmed the presence of anthrax.
"It had already been handled by
the contractor," said Caree
Vander Linden, spokeswoman for
the U.S. Army Medical Research
Institute of Infectious Diseases at

Later tests proved negative and officials realized the initial error, officials said.

Robert Harris, chief operating officer of Commonwealth Biotech nology, said it is premature to conclude that there was contamination at his lab and said testing is ongoing.

"The issue of contamination is questionable," he said. He said he still believes that the original sample might have been "a true positive sample" for anthrax. "That's a possibility at this point."

He said his company does daily

testing on swabs taken from filters at the Pentagon mail facility.

Warning signs at the two Pentagon mail facilities on Monday led to the comprehensive testing. Nearly 900 workers were given precautionary antibiotics, and officials closed three mail facilities, including two that serve the Penta-

In 2001 anthrax-by-mail attacks killed five people and panicked Americans still raw from the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Since then, scores of initial tests in government mailrooms have falsely reported anthrax.

Judge affirms death penalty for Scott Peterson

Fort Detrick.

BY BRIAN SKOLOFF

The Associated Press

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — A judge formally sentenced Scott Peterson to death Wednesday after family members got into a shouting match and Laci Peterson's mother sobbed as she called her son-in-law "an evil murderer."

Judge Alfred A. Delucchi allowed only Laci's family members to speak at the hearing after indicating he believed the death penalty was warranted.

penalty was warranted.

Peterson's father yelled from the audience as Laci's brother, Brent Rocha, spoke

to the court, saying, "Laci and Conner are the true victims here."

"What a liar!" Lee Peterson said before the judge admonished him and he stormed out of the courtroom. Jackie Peterson, Scott Peterson's mother, also interrupted Rocha but her voice was inaudible.

Scott Peterson, 32, was invited to make a statement. After several minutes of discussion with his attorneys, he declined.

Delucchi denied a defense request for a new trial before upholding the jury's recommendation that Peterson be sentenced to death. "The court is satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant, Scott Lee Peterson, is guilty of first-degree murder" and second degree, Delucchi said, adding that he found the killings "were cruel, uncar-

ing, heartless and callous."

Peterson, shackled at the waist and wearing a dark suit, showed no emotion through-

out the hearing.
Peterson will be sent to death row at San
Quentin State Prison within 48 hours, said
San Mateo County Sheriff's Lt. Lisa Will-

The infamous lockup overlooks the same bay where Laci Peterson's body was disPeterson was convicted in November of first-degree murder in the killing of Laci and second-degree murder for the slaying of her fetus. A jury recommended the death penalty a month later.

Peterson's attorney, Mark Geragos, tried to get the judge to allow Peterson's parents, Jackie and Lee Peterson, to speak, on the basis that they were related to Conner.

But the judge said the hearing was an opportunity for Laci's relatives to speak only. He ordered Scott Peterson to pay \$10,000 restitution for funeral expenses and an additional \$5,000, though the reason for that amount was unexplained.



Robert Blake acquitted of murder

http://www.araimntspa.com/

LOS ANGELES — A jury acquitted tough-guy actor Robert Blake of murder Wednesday in the shooting death of his wife four years ago, bringing a stunning end to a case that played out like pulp fic-

The jury also acquitted Blake of one charge of trying to get someone to kill his wife, but deadlocked on a second solicitation charge. The jury voted 11-1 in favor of acquittal and the judge dismissed the count. The 71-year-old star of the 1970s detective drama

"Baretta" dropped his head, trembled with emotion and sobbed heavily as the verdict was read. The adult daughter of Blake's wife sobbed quietly

in the back of the courtroom. The jury of seven men and five women delivered the verdicts on its ninth day of deliberations, following a trial with a cast a characters that included two Hollywood stuntmen who said Blake tried to get them to bump off his wife.

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Blake was charged with shooting 44-year-old Bonny Lee Bakley in their car outside the actor's favorite Italian restaurant on May 4, 2001, less than six months after their marriage

No eyewitnesses, blood or DNA evidence linked Blake to the crime. The murder weapon, found in a trash bin, could not be traced to Blake, and witnesses said the minuscule amounts of gunshot residue found on Blake's hands could have come from a different gun he said he carried for protection

Prosecutors said Blake believed his wife trapped him into a loveless marriage by getting pregnant. They said Blake soon became smitten with the baby Rosie, and desperately wanted to keep the child away from Bakley, whom he considered an unfit

Rosie, now 4, is being raised by Blake's adult daughter.

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Bush taps Wolfowitz as World Bank head

WASHINGTON - President Bush on Wednesday tapped De-fense Deputy Secretary Paul Wolfowitz, who has been a lightning rod for criticism of the U.S. inva sion of Iraq and other defense poli-cies, to take over as head of the World Bank.

Bush told a news conference that Wolfowitz, 61, now Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld's top deputy, was "a compassionate, decent man who will do a fine job at the World Bank."

James Wolfensohn is stepping down as head of the 184-nation de-velopment bank on June 1 at the end of his second five-year term.

Bank's largest shareholder. The bank traditionally has had an American president and its sister institution, the International Monetary Fund, traditionally has been headed by a European.

Wolfowitz was among the most forceful of those in the Bush administration in arguing that Iraq's Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction, and he had predicted that Americans would be welcomed as liberators once they toppled Saddam's government.

The World Bank's 24-member board will vote on Bush's selection; approval is expected.

Senate OKs ANWR drilling

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Amid the backdrop of soaring oil and gaso line prices, a sharply divided Sen-ate on Wednesday voted to open the ecologically rich Alaska wildlife refuge to oil drilling, delivering a major energy policy win for President Bush

The Senate, by a 51-49 vote, rejected an attempt by Democrats and GOP moderates to remove a refuge drilling provision from next year's budget, preventing op ponents from using a filibuster.

The action, assuming Congress agrees on a budget, clears the way for approving drilling this year, drilling supporters said.

The oil industry has sought for more than two decades to get access to what is believed to be billions of barrels of oil beneath the 1.5 million-acre coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Ref-Environmentalists have argued that despite improved environmental controls, a web of pinelines and drilling platforms would harm calving caribou, polar bears and millions of migratory birds

that use the coastal plain.

Bush has called tapping AN-WR's oil a critical part of the nation's energy security.

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IN THE WORLD

N. Korea won't deal with Rice

Nation bitterly refuses to discuss nuclear issues with U.S. official

BY BURT HERMAN

The Associated Press

SEOUL — North Korea bitterly refused Wednesday any dealings with Secretary of State Condolecza Rice, as the top U.S. diplomat began a six-day visit to Asia seeking a breakthrough in the two-year standoff over the North's nuclear weapons program.

The nuclear crisis deepened last month when North Korea announced it had nuclear weapons and said it would boycott international disarmament talks because of U.S. hostility toward its govern-

Rice is to visit South Korea on Saturday after a stop in Japan, and will meet with President Roh Moo-hyun and other top officials before heading to China for more consultations on the crisis.

North Korea was angered in

January when Rice labeled it one of the world's "outposts of tyranny." She has refused to withdraw the remark, and said it reflects the truth about the communist country.

"It is quite illogical for the U.S. to intend to negotiate with [North Korea] without retracting its remarks listing its dialogue partner as 'an outpost of tyranny,' "an unidentified North Korean Foreign Ministry spokesman said Wednes-

Rice "can make nothing but such outcries as she is no more than an official of the most tyrannical dictatorial state in the world," the North's official Korean Central News Agency quoted the spokesman as saying, "Such [a] woman bereft of any political logic is not the one to be dealt with by us. Her reckless remarks showed to the world what type of a woman she is."



5. EMBASSY/A

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice receives flowers from Pakistani children upon her arrival Wednesday in Islamabad, Pakistan, Rice i couring Asia and is scheduled to visit South Korea on Saturday where she will meet with President Roh Moo-hyun to discuss the two-year standoff with the North over its nuclear weapons program.

The North also repeated that it would "bolster its nuclear arsenal for self-defense." U.S. officials have repeatedly said they don't intend to attack North Korea.

Rice told reporters Tuesday that the United States continue to believe the nuclear standoff should be solved through six-nation disarrament talks and will refuse the North's repeated demands for direct talks with Washington.

However, the chief U.S. negotiator in the six-way talks, Christopher Hill, said Tuesday the United States might seek other means if no progress is made. Three rounds of talks among China, Japan, Russia, the two Koreas and the United States have been held in Beijing since 2002, with no breakthrough. A fourth round scheduled for last September was canceled when North Korea refused to attend. "Clearly this can't go on forev-

"Clearly this can't go on foreverery." Ill told a Seane committee considering his nomination as assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific affairs. "We need to see some progress here and if we don't, we need to look at other ways to deal with this because there is one option that is not available to us—and that is to walk away from this problem."

Russian plane crashes

MOSCOW — A Russian airliner carrying 53 people north of the Arctic Circle crashed and caught fire Wednesday while attempting to land, killing at least 29 people, a government ministry said. It said 24 people survived

Deputy Emergency Situations
Minister Gennady Korotkin said
witnesses reported the An-24 turboprop aircraft's tail broke up before the crash and that the plane
was making a forced landing at
an airport near the oil port of
Varandei about 1,100 miles northeast of Moscow

Jericho handed over

JERUSALEM — Israeli troops on Wednesday took down their national flag, removed a roadblock and handed the town of Jericho to Palestinian control, boosting stop-and-go Mideast peace efforts and sending a message to ordinary Palestinians that ending a violent uprisinians that ending to

Symbolic steps turned practical as Israel removed one of three roadblocks around the isolated desert oasis, allowing free travel to the rest of the West Bank, Israeli soldiers stopped checking cars entering Jericho – a boast for the town's economy and for Palestimian leader Mahshow his people he can get results as he seeks to renew a peace process with Israel.

From The Associated Press





Message from The Metal God

BY RAYMOND T. CONWAY

egendary metal singer Rob Halford is back with a vengeance, once again commanding center stage with the reunited British heavy metal pioneers Judas Priest

More than 4,000 leather- and denim-clad heavy metal maniacs packed the Stadthalle in Offenbach, Germany, as Halford and band mates Glenn Tipton, K.K. Downing, Ian Hill and Scott Travis ripped through an explosive two-hour. 22-song set.

The intensity of the band and crowd was electrifying, as fans ranging in age from 16 to 60 were treated to several classics such Breaking the Law," and "Living After Midnight" — along with four killer cuts from the band's new album, "Angel of Retribution," which was released March 1.

Backstage following the Offenbach performance, Halford spoke with Stars and Stripes and offered words of encouragement for U.S. troops fighting the war on terrorism at home and abroad.

"Right now, I have friends serving in Iraq, onboard the USS Stennis and in Guam, and the work they are doing is incredibly important, not only for America but the Judas Priest singer Rob Halford praises U.S. troops across the world as band kicks off new tour



entire world. I fully support wh they're doing," he said.

Halford, who cites San Diego as one of his favorite hangouts, said he became friends with many sailors and Marines from the nearby Camp Pendleton.

"T've spent a lot of time in America and have several friends in the U.S. military all over the world,"

GIs have always been big fans and supporters of Judas Priest and Halford's three solo bands: Fight Two and Halford.

"Everyone in the band supports all [the troops], and we sincerely

wish them the best and a safe return home to their families," he

During the concert, Priest performed several other standout tracks, such as "Beyond the Realms of Death" and an acoustic version of "Diamonds and Rust." The highlight of the night came with the band's mesmerizing performance of "Victim of Changes" from the "Sad Wings of Destiny"

Servicemembers in Europe and Japan will have a chance to catch the metal legends. Starting Wednesday, Judas Priest rolls through the United Kingdom for 11 shows.

From there, Priest will make stops in Holland, Germany, Poland, Austria, Italy, Portugal and Austria, Italy, Portugal and April 17 with three dates in Spain. After a short break, the band heads to Japan and will play seven shows May 8-18, Plans are under way for a North American summer four.

summer tour. For information on tour dates, locations and tickets, see www.judaspriest.com and concert listings in Sunday's Stars and Stripes' Scene magazine. For lively metal discussion, check out The Metal God's Quorum message board at www.robhalford.com

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University of Maryland University College

Since UMUC began offering classes in Asia almost 50 years ago, its greatest single strength has been the quality of its faculty. Here are brief profiles of three of our faculty members who teach regularly in Japan.



Aline Skoog

- Taught with UMUC in Germany, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Russia, Japan, Korea, Okinawa, and online distance education
- M.B.A. in international management from Monterey Institute of International Studies
- Employment experience in Saudi Arabia and Singapore
- "Global business is dynamic; it is the future. Information is power. I have the opportunity to help students gain the power to be part of the future of global business. That's exciting!"

Paul Lattimore

- . M.S. in biology and Ph.D. in botany
- Extensive teaching and research experience throughout the U.S.
- Has taught with UMUC in Asia at Misawa, the Tokyo area, and lwakuni, and in the DE program
- "Our courses in biology, botany, and environmental science enable students to understand the natural world and some of the developments of our time, such as global warming, cloning, and stem cell research, or other developments that have been important and controversial."





Kenneth Smith

- Holds an M.B.A. degree and a Doctor of Arts in economics
- Taught at several different U.S. institutions and managed his own consulting business
- With UMUC taught in Russia, Korea, Japan, and the DE program, and served as Academic Director for business and management
- "Teaching on military installations is a way in which we can give something back to all soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines. Business and economics become more exciting as rapid globalization continues. Not only is business education important, it is becoming necessary."

For further background on these and other faculty members, and a wide range of information on courses and programs, check the UMUC Asia Web site at:

http://www.asia.umuc.edu

Term IV classes begin March 28.

As high gas prices loom, saving is key

By JAMES A FUSSELL The Kansas City (Mo.) Star

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Talk about gas pains. If analysts are right, because of rising gasoline prices we'll pay an extra \$100 this year just to drive around. It's enough to get

you down every time you fill 'er up.

Buck up, drivers. You can do numerous things to recoup that money — and much more.

Sure, there are the old strategies of carpooling, taking

the bus or garaging that gas guzzler. But you want to save more money, right? So we've

looked beyond transportation to find other ways to save that \$100 and more. These tips just may make the price at the pump a little less painful. ■ Take your lunch to work. If you usually spend \$7 on lunch, replacing just two of those lunches a week with a sack lunch from home that costs around a dollar will save

you more than \$500 a year ■ Buy a programmable "setback" thermostat. Most are less than \$50. Unless you're the most disciplined thermo-

stat hawk on the planet, it will quickly pay for itself by eliminating wasteful heating and cooling cycles when you're out or asleep. ■ Weatherize your home. Install storm doors and win-

dows, caulk around drafty places and make sure your attic is properly insulated with R-30 insulation. Check your water heater. It's the second largest ener-

gy sucker in the home. Set it on medium, a more-than-adequate 120 degrees, instead of the very high 140 degrees, ave 1 percent on your bill.

■ Take shorter showers and install energy-efficient showerheads.

■ Find sales and buy in bulk, provided there is no limit



Chris Ramey of San Diego pumps gas at Costco on Tuesday in San Diego. With gas prices climbing, it's a good time to look beyond transportation at other ways to cut costs.

on quantity, you can use items before the expiration date you have enough storage. For example, a Lenexa Hy-Vee recently offered 18-ounce jars of Peter Pan pea-nut butter, regularly priced at \$1.99, for \$1. Buy one jar and save about \$1. Buy 50 jars and save \$50.

■ Use the Internet to find the lowest price. Compare prices on sites such as Yahoo Shopping and My Simon; discount air, travel and rental car sites such as Hotwire and

Priceline; and auction sites such as eBay and U-Bid.

■ Don't assume discount stores are cheaper. Wal-Mart charges \$2.94 for 12 ounces of Herbal Essence shampoo, 55 cents less than the regular Hen House price. However, a recent Hen House sale dropped the price to \$2.79

■ Buy generic. It's cheaper. But beware. Not all are a good value

■ Pay off credit cards each month. If you have to run a nce, get a card with a low-fixed interest rate, as low as 4.9 percent. Many store credit cards charge double-digit rates. Do a little research.

■ Tape TV movies. For each movie you tape, you save \$2 to \$4. Plus, you can keep them as long as you want without any late fees. And don't forget libraries, which have a ee selection

And finally, there's this from car experts. If you just have to save money on gasoline, slow down. Remember, the faster you go, the faster you'll need to fill up.

Career changer needs a new car

I recently left a career as a pizza-delivery driver to work for an architectural photographer. It involved changing cities and giving up what little social life I had. In short, I'm rethinking the decision, and I'm thinking about going back to the pizza business. My question for you folks is this: The vehicle I bought for my new job is much too nice to use for delivering pizzas. It is a 2003 VW GTI VR6. Plus, I won't be able to afford the payments on the pizza salary. So, if I'm going to return to the night shift at my old job. I'm going to need a cheap car that gets reasonable gas mileage (low 20s to high teens is OK) and is relatively easy to work on. I can spend about \$5,000, and I'm pretty handy with a wrench, I was

thinking about a Tov-Click and Clack ota, because I hear they are very reli-Tom and Ray Magliozz

able. Any help you can offer would be appreciated, and if you're ever in Gainesville, Fla., and get hungry, give Five Star a call and

tell them Bo sent you. - Bo TOM: What happened, Bo? Not as many women answering the door in their nightgowns in the architectural-pho-

tography business? RAY: You definitely need something much more pathetic-looking if you want any chance of getting decent tips. If the pizza-delivery guy is driving a nicer car than the guy

who's buying the pizza, you're going to have tough time getting symnathy TOM: You certainly could buy a Toyota Corolla. They're easy to find, reliable and economical. And you can probably get a 5- or 6-year-old one for \$5,000. You really can't go wrong with one of those, and it meets all of your require-

ments RAY: But why not really go for the sympathy, Bo? I see you in a 1987 Hyundai Excel, blue smoke belching out the

back from bad rings ... one headlight working TOM: Plus, it's got vinyl seats, so you can just wipe up the melted mozzarella and spilled tomato sauce. Try doing that

with your beautiful Toyota velour! Good luck, Bo.

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ents and Sensibility Money tip of the day

Creating job luck

NEW YORK - Some people just have all the luck when it comes to their careers. Or do they? Susan RoAne, author of the new book "How to Create Your Own Luck," says these seemingly fortunate people are really outstanding networkers who aren't afraid to make career changes. She mentions some traits that help them get ahead:

- They talk to strangers. Simple conversations can turn into great opportunities and generate great ideas. You never know who you'll meet.
- They make small talk. Take a personal interest and make time to get to know the people you see every day. When you ask, "How are you?" really listen to the answer.
- They drop names Name-dropping isn't necessarily bragging about how well con nected you are. Finding a friend or acquaintance in common creates a more personal connection, and opens new doors
 - They eavesdrop and listen.

Paving attention to what goes on around you can put you in a good position to ask for, or offer, help. It's also a fantastic way to learn about your field - where it's headed, what is needed and who the people of importance

- They ask for or offer help. You don't have to pull yourself up by your own bootstraps. Lucky people know there's no shame in asking for help when you need it or in offering it when vou can.
- They stray from the path. Talent isn't just something that results from training or a specific education. Use all your skills for success, not just those in which you have formal training. It can help you if you switch careers or want to combine talents to take your job in a new direc-
- They make timely, gracious exits without burning bridges. Know when to leave your job or end a career. Aim to leave on a high note, so you are still well respected and maintain your contacts and relationships.

FRIDAY EVENING / MARCH 18, 2005

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GIs also require no curfew

March 1 was a day of great rejoicing for Department of Defense contractors working in South Korea; the curfew imposed on us late last year by U.S. Forces Korea leaders was lifted — a curfew of dubious origin and purpose that most feel should never have been imposed in the first place

I've had my few days to rejoice and gloat, but I am still very much aware that my comrades in arms, the active-duty U.S. military personnel stationed here, are still burdened with this curfew. A curfew is something that should only be imposed as a punitive measure or to protect personnel during a period of increased tensions. There is absolutely no reason that mature, grown adults should have to live under a perpetual curfew when there is no obvious reason for it.

Yes, there is still the potential for armed conflict with North Korea, and we need to maintain a degree of readiness, but the curfew really does nothing to improve readiness. It only means that military personnel go downtown earlier, get drunk earlier, and go home earlier. Where is the benefit to readiness?

As far as I can tell, the curfew exists for only one reason: to reduce the number of alcohol incidents among active-duty U.S. military and to reduce the work [those incidents] may cause military commanders. That is not a good enough reason to trample on the freedoms of the 90 percent to 95 percent of the active-duty military personnel who know how to behave themselves while drinking off base.

If a commander has to do some extra paperwork for one bad soldier, he or she should view that as a small sacrifice for the thousands of soldiers who know how to behave themselves. Or does sacrifice only work in one direction?

A curfew might be the easy way to go, but it certainly is not the right way to go.

It's truly unfortunate that active-duty military personnel have no union to go to bat for them. Those who must sacrifice the most seem to have the least voice of

Air Force Tech. Sgt. Charles Lacy (retired) Songtan, South Korea

'Old soldiers' can contribute

"Old GIs will serve in Iraq, but wars aren't uniform" (column, Joe Volz, Feb.
18) provided valuable insight on how the Army and Marines are signing up retired soldiers and Marines to beef up overworked forces.

Sounds very interesting. First of all, I meet the basic criteria, have many years of experience operating fuel trucks and supply-related storage, receipt-and-issue activities. I would, however, prefer to serve in a civilian capacity for the simple (yet important) reason "to earn tax-free dollars or euros" in Iraq or Afghanistan.

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I have seen wars both as a youngster in the rubble of World War II Europe and at exotic Vietnam locations. The large multimillion-dollar corporations in overseas locations who pay big bucks to foreigners should also consider experienced veterans physically and mentally capable to

provide the same service, if not better. Some of us old soldiers are willing and able to make our contributions to a very worthy cause - our future. Talk to us, you might be surprised at the results.

Oscar Dreikorn Pozzolengo, Italy

Give them the badge, too

I joined the Army to be a communicator: however, if I am placed in a situation as those prescribed to meet the criteria for the Close Combat Badge, then why can't I and other support military occupational specialties receive the same award as the combat engineer or field artillery soldier we are taking fire with?

So, is it right that because I'm not in what is considered a combat arms MOS that I don't deserve the award? What's next, the Medal of Honor or Bronze Star will only be awarded to certain MOSs?

We are all soldiers and riflemen first serving the same great nation. Why not get the same awards, period?

Spc. Scott A. Morong Camp Bucca, Iraa

Others deserve badge

Under the criteria for the new Close Combat Badge, it states a soldier must be assigned to a unit that is purposely organized to routinely conduct close combat operations or engage in direct combat.

I know there are many people who state that they came under fire and fired back, but their mission was not what was stated above. I am in no way discounting the efforts put forth by units who have come in contact with the enemy during their missions of moving supplies and so forth. But there is a different story for the chemical company which with I served as a platoon leader

This past year, I, along with other sol-diers, noncommissioned officers and officers, have been attached to a field artillery and armor unit. Our company fought under the same mission statement as the field artillery and armor platoons.

But due solely to military occupational specialty classification, those chemical soldiers who engaged in direct ground combat with the enemy alongside the field artil-lery and armor soldiers are not eligible for what their comrades will be awarded.

I understand we are a small exception to the rule, but all soldiers and officers with an infantry mission, regardless of MOS and branch, should be eligible for the

1st Lt. Dorothy Butala Baghdad

Putting their lives on the line

I would have liked to have been the proverbial fly on the wall when both decisions were made as to who would qualify for the "new and improved" extension/re-enlistment bonuses and the Close Combat Badge.

As a career National Guardsman - and former active duty also - I have too many years in service to qualify, yet I have enough time left before retirement to qualify for the three-year bonus. It almost seems as if the "Army of One" has to be under age 35 or have fewer than 16 years of service to be wanted. It almost reeks of age discrimination.

At 55, I may not be able to run a '-minute mile, do 100 sit-ups, or 75 push-ups; however, I can still do my job as well, or better, than I once could. Why not make the bonuses an Army-National Guard-wide program and reward all soldiers who are willing to defend our great country?

What military geniuses decided that soldiers with the 12, 13, and 19 military occu-pational specialties were the only ones who should qualify for the CCB? Although school-trained in both 11-series MOSs, I missed out on going to Vietnam due to other assignments during my active-duty years. The CIB is a very prestigious award and deserves to be worn only by 11-series soldiers. However, I am now deployed with a Tennessee Army National Guard unit in Iraq and all soldiers - drivers, riflemen and crew-served gunners - are being tasked with convoy support. Due to not having the right MOS, many soldiers who are putting their lives on the line - or having it put on the line - will be denied any special recognition.

Did we come here for a badge? Of course not; however, we all would like to be recognized for putting it on the line.

Staff Sgt. Tommy R. Denson Tallil Air Base Iraa

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

Doonesbury







OPINION

Not opposed to good that Iraq war can bring

he invasion of Iraq was the equiva-lent of a bucket of freezing water thrown in the face of an Arab world in deep slumber.
There, I've said it. Can we move on now?

There is a way to talk about the effect of the Iraq war on the rest of the Arab world without actually supporting that war. This time last year and the year before, I marched in demonstrations in New York against the war on Iraq, which I did not believe was launched in the name of democra cy and freedom. But we would be lying to ourselves if we didn't acknowledge that the United States' occupation of Iraq is a major catalyst for what has been happening lately, be it in Egypt, Lebanon or Saudi Arabia.

As an Egyptian man told me recently, if there was a "domino effect" sparked by the invasion, it was one of questions

'The U.S. invasion revealed the ability to overthrow one of the worst tyrants around and led to this question: If this regime collapsed, why not the others? Why shouldn't Syria leave Lebanon? Why shouldn't we change the Egyptian regime? Isn't it

enough (kifaya) already?"

Kifaya indeed. The word is the slogan of Egypt's National Campaign for Change, which has staged several demonstrations calling for an end to President Hosni Mubarak's 24-year rule. It has appeared on banners in anti-Syrian demonstrations in Beirut. But ultimately Arabs have been saying kifaya to violence. Beheadings, shock and awe, checkpoint shootings and the loss of thousands of lives in Iraq have sickened Arabs. It is no mean feat that demonstra tions in Cairo and in Beirut - both for and against Syria - have been peaceful.

ready to the tiresome intellectual tropes that liberals and neoconservatives wasting time on as they argue over the

In the United States it is almost impossible to separate support or opposition to the Bush administration from support for the democratic aspirations of Arabs. The endless tango of "for" or "against" the war that the Bush administration and its opponents insist on dancing wastes time and conveniently ignores murky details both sides would prefer to forget

I'm tired of having to remind those who supported the war of the moral failures of Abu Ghraib and of rendition, by which the United States sends terrorism suspects to countries — such as my own, Egypt — where they are likely to be tortured. The violence unleashed on Iraq is appalling and most often targets ordinary Iraqis whose numbers remain uncounted in this country and whose stories always lose out to the kidnappings and deaths of non-Iraqis.

I'm equally fed up with having to remind those who opposed the war that in their rush to condemn the Bush administration. they should not ignore or condone the continued tyranny of Arab leaders; that as vehemently as they oppose the Bush administration, they must not forget that Arab dictators are simply that - dictators.

And, no, I haven't forgotten that the current administration, like its predecessors, continues to support many of those same dictators. It's heartening to hear President Bush say that authoritarian rule in the Middle East is the "last gasp of a discredited

nast" - but disappointing when he focuses only on Syria.

I'm still waiting for the Bush administration to urge Egypt to end emergency laws that have been in effect since Mubarak assumed power in 1981. I'm still waiting for the United States to urge the Saudi royal family to release reform activists whose only crime was to sign a petition calling for

So, now what? We must not lose attention or interest. Just as I have acknowledged the iolt the Arab world felt from the Iraq war, so it is imperative to remember that if

there hadn't been civil societies already in place in the Arab world, such a jolt would have found no echo.

Brave Arab men and women have for decades toiled for the sake of rights and better lives for their compatriots.

Their work must be acknowledged and supported. The conversation about change in the Arab world must be about them and about ordinary Arabs, not about scoring points for or against the Bush administra-

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In China-Taiwan relations, status quo is a net gain

BY MONTE R. BULLARD Global Beat Syndicate

GULF BREEZE, Fla. he United States and Taiwan should welcome China's efforts to formally define and codify its position on relations with Tai-

While it may not offer the answer some in Taiwan would hope for, it does mean movement by Beijing's leaders toward the rule of law - one of the legitimate concerns Taiwan's leaders have about China's ability to abide by future agreements

Taiwan's leaders are correctly wary of any negotiated settlement with China because historically China has changed agreements too easily by executive fi The recent altering of the Hong Kong Basic Law is an example.

Involving the National People's Congress in the process is positive step. While the NPC used to be a pure rubber stamp for the Communist Party, over the past 25 vears it has increased, in fits and starts, its voice in internal decision-making. That began when the NPC played a role in calling to account government incompetence in the Pohai Gulf oil-rig disaster of 1979, and began to grow in voice and power until it was severely constrained again after the Tiananmen demonstrations in

Over the years younger, more active and more competent people have been elected to its ranks, and while it has not reached the point of being able to "check-and-balance" the Communist Party or even the government, the NPC is moving in that direction. This new anti-secession law could give the NPC more leverage in national decision-making.

Importantly, the new anti-secession law

work for starting a war with Taiwan. Rather it is part of the effort to pluralize decision-making in China and make it more difficult for just a few leaders to start a war with behind-closed-doors decisions.

Some NPC members come from provinces, counties or cities, such as Kunshan just outside Shanghai, which now are almost completely dependent on Taiwan. The more than 1 million Taiwanese who are permanent residents in China (living there more than 300 days a year); the more than 50,000 Taiwanese companies that hire millions of Chinese workers; and the more than \$100 billion of Taiwanese investment in China are all factors likely to influence some of those legislators as their role in negotiations between Beijing and the provinces becomes increasingly

Some have described the anti-secession law as a "war law." But Chinese officials insist that it offers no timetable for unification.

Rather, it is designed to counter any moves in Taiwan that are perceived as going too far in the direction of indepen dence. That could help define the limits of what constitutes "moving too far" toward independence, thus introducing more certainty into the equation. Every time Beijing clarifies exactly which Taiwanese actions would result in war, the onus of starting a war falls on the shoulders of Taiwan's leaders, who continue to push the independence envelope.

While Taiwan's leaders are reacting angrily, and the anti-secession law may have short-term implications, both sides should avoid negotiating a long-term status for Taiwan. Both sides should recognize that short term - even if there are different definitions of the status quo. Both sides also should recognize that the long-term solution is neither total independence nor total unification. Some form of confederation will have to suffice.

Neither side should begin to create laws that hinder the search for a long-term solution, but both sides should create laws that help to establish a peaceful environment in which meaningful negotiations can take place 10 or 20 years down the

Meantime, the United States should quietly support the effort to move China steadily toward democratization through increased pluralization at the top.

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Mallard Fillmore

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Split on slots

FL MIAMI — New Las Vegas-style slot machines were given the thumbs-up for four betting sites in Broward County, but neighboring Miami-Dade County narrowly rejected a similar proposal.

The decision in Broward County clears the way for slot machines at two horse-racing tracks, one grey-hound track and one jai alai site. The Miami-Dade plan would have allowed slots at three locations in the county.

The Broward proposal passed 57 percent to 43 percent, while the Miami-Dade plan received 47 percent of the vote.

Hit-and-run kills widow

ROME — An 84-year-old widow was killed by a hit-and-run driver in central New York as she walked from a hospital to her parked car, according to police.

Mary LoRusso had been visiting a cousin who was a patient. She was struck before 7 p.m. in the drive-through area near Rome Memorial Hospital's emergency room exit, police said. Someone found her and told hospital personnel, who brought her inside and attempted to save her, Detective Commander Edward Stevens said.

Own gun shoots boy, 7

OH COLUMBUS — A gun in a bookbag discharged in an elementary school classroom and the primary school student who brought it was shot in the hand, police said.

The injury to the 7-year-old was not believed to be life-threatening. Police were uncertain why the gun went off.

Columbus schools did not cancel classes, but some parents took their children from Leawood Elementary School. There were 15 children in class when the .45-caliber pistol gum went off, police Sgt. David Sicilian said.

The boy's mother "indicated she had no idea where the weapon came from," Sicilian said.

State's drinking problem

MANDAN — A recent study from the National Survey on Drug Use and Health found more than 31 percent of North Dakotans age 12 and older said they had five or more drinks in one sitting during the month before the survey done in 2002 and 2003. The national average for binge drinking was 23 percent. Binge use is defined as having

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Bartender Laura Thompson, who owns the Old Town Tavern in Mandan with her husband, Roger, chuckled at that definition. She said nearly everyone in the bar's



weekly dart league would easily meet the criteria. Nearly 55 percent of North Dako-

tans between the ages of 18 and 25 reported binge drinking. About 17 percent who were ages 12 to 17 and about 28 percent in the 26-and-older category said they had five or more drinks in one sitting. North Dakota's 11 percent rate of alcohol dependence and abuse

also led the nation in the study. **Drug side effects tallied**

WASHINGTON — The Food and Drug Administration received more than 422,500 reports of drug side effects last year, a record, the agency said.

Final figures won't be available until spring but the preliminary estimate was confirmed by spokeswoman Laura Alvey. That tops the 370.887 reports of

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Agency officials attribute the rise to increased use of prescription drugs rather than an increase in risk from the drugs

tion drugs rather than an increase in risk from the drugs. Drug makers are required to tell the agency any instances of side effects reported to them and FDA

also hears directly from patients and physicians. Nurse admits to theft

PA CARLISLE — A nurse pleaded guilty to stealing more than \$25,000 from residents of the Lower Allen Township retirement community where she worked.

Mary Louise Ross, 47, pleaded



Wearing of the grin
Mark Floyd, 6, of Baltimore sports
a toothless grin and his Irish green
as he marches with his grandmother in Baltimore's St. Patrick's Day
parade.

guilty to one count of theft by deception before Cumberland County Judge Kevin A. Hess. She remained in Dauphin County Prison on a parole violation for a 1992 crime.

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Ross stole credit card information and checks from two residents of the Bethany Village retirement community from August to November 2001 and forged checks that she made payable to herself and businesses in her name, Senior Assistant District Attorney Michelle Sibert said.

Sprucing up fake lagoon

HI HONOLULU — Work could begin soon on a SS million project to restore the neglected saltwater lagoon at the Hilton Hawaiian Village in Waikiki. Hotel officials say they plan to make the 50-year-old man-made lagoon shallower, smaller and cleaner.

They also plan to install a public boardwalk around it.

These patients don't cry

POCATELLO — Doctors at Portnuef Medical Center recently found themselves treating an additional 770 patients — all dolls and stuffed animals. The annual Teddy Bear Clinic

drew a record turnout of children, who brought their dolls, teddy bears and other stuffed animals in need of medical attention.

The event was aimed at making a visit to the hospital less frightening for children.

"It's like they are the parent.

"It's like they are the parent. They get to experience it from the other side," hospital spokeswoman Crista Madsen Smith said.

Children explain their animal's problems to a receptionist while checking the toy into the hospital. Officials reported stories like "My bear broke his leg by jumping on the bed" or "My sister bit him."

The children also helped doctors

decide how to treat the toys.
"X-ray is popular," Smith said.
"Casting was probably the most popular this year, but surgery is always fascinating to kids."

Heli-mushing is out ANCHORAGE — The Bu-

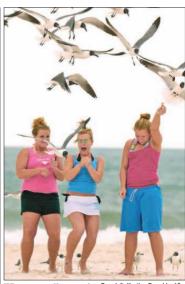
AKCHORAGE — The Busreau of Land Management camp on the Nenana Glacier near Denali National Park and Preserve this summer. Era Aviation anticipated shuttling as many as 3,000 tourists to and from the glacier for sled dog rides. However, strong opposition arose from residents concerned about increased helicopter traffic and noise.

Bringing history alive

NV SPARKS — A gala marking Sparks' 100 years as a city will be held at the Sparks Heritage Museum. Plans called for a Pony Express rider to arrive at the museum with a proclamation from Gox Kenny Guinn. Dr. Michael Fisher was to portray Gov. John Sparks, the city's namesake.

Watching the streets

NASHVILLE — The Nashville Police Department is going to use a network of surveillance cameras to monitor activities in areas with high crime rates, including the downtown nightspot section. Memphis installed a dozen cameras in the mid-1990s, but canceled the program because of technical problems.



When seagulls attack From left, Heather Burnside, 18; Bishop, 18, all of Jonesboro, Ark., are mobbed by seagulls as they feed them at Gulf State Park public beach in Gulf Shores, Ala. The three are on spring break from William Baptist College in Walnut Ridge, Ark.



What dogs dream about Australian shepherd mix, chases a radio-control motorcycle driven by owner Kevin Puntigam of Roseburg, Ore., at Stewart Park in Rosburg.



Skater boy Christopher Sabo, 3, wears his skates on his hands after warmer temperatures made the ice too slushy for skating at the Oxford Youth Association rink in Oxford, N.J.



Containing a garage fire A fireflighter prepares to flight a fire consuming an attached garage of a house in Worcester, VL. Fireflighters from five departments battled the blaze, saving the house from major damage and rescuing a family cat. No one was injuried in the fire



Shake your tailfeathers

An Eastern wild turkey tom fans his tailfeathers as he and his two hens cross a rural road near Superior. Wis.



Slow commute
Curt Craig, an eighth-grade teacher
at Flagstaff Middle School, skis
home on an unexpected day off.
The Flagstaff, Ariz., school district
closed area schools when 6 inches
of snow fell on the city.



Birthday battle
Civil War re-enactors with the 2nd U.S. Infantry, Company C, foreground, fire on
Living History Day at The Museum of the Waxhaws in Waxhaw, N.C. Living History Day celebrates President
Andrew Jackson's birth on March 15, 1.767, in the area.

Justice delayed 30 years

PA HARRISBURG — A man who killed his wife in 1969 pleaded guilty to walking away from prison while on furlough 30 years ago.

Allen D. Marshall, 63, was captured in Houston a year ago and brought back to Pennsylvania to finish serving his five- to 10-year sentence for voluntary manslaughter. Marshall entered his plea under

Marsian emerce in speed under a 1973 prison breach charge, which carries a stiffer punishment than a prison-escape charge would today, said Cumberland County First Assistant District Attorney David Freed. He could face up to 10 more years for walking away from the prison when he is sentenced in May.

Alleged porn ring busted

DALLAS — À Colorado adult entertainment business owner and two Arlington residents face federal charges accusing them of participating in a multimillion dollar operation that illegally distributed pornography and underreported profits to avoid paying taxes.

Edward Wedelstedt, 62, of the Denver area, was accused of running a criminal enterprise in 18 states through his company, Goalie Entertainment Holdings Inc., and conspiring to defraud the government by not reporting large sums of cash income

Two Arlington residents, Leroy Moore Sr., 64, and Beverly Kay Van Dusen, 46, were accused of conspiring to sell porn at Dallasarea stores and paying a percentage of revenues back to Wedelstedt's company. A 23-count indictment alleged

A 23-count maternat alleged Goalie Entertainment managed bookstores that sold pornographic magazines, videos and products in the front and showed sexually explicit movies in back rooms to customers who purchased tokens.

Using their resources

HI HONOLULU — Lawmakers on Monday advanced a measure that would ease the way for a technology that uses cold water piped from the depths of the Pacific Ocean to cool Hawaii's tropical heat.

Known as seawater air conditioning, the method of cooling could reduce the state's dependency on fossil fuels by bringing down electricity needs, according to the state Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, which supports the bill.

Members of the House Committee on Economic Development and Business Concerns voted to pass the measure, which would exempt seawater air conditioning projects from public utility regulation.

Because the companies would not be the only providers of a service essential to public health and welfare, they do not need oversight from the public utilities commission, John Cole, executive director of the Division of Consumer Advocacy, said in written testimony to the committee.

Singing a proud tune

MO KANSAS CITY — Mike Hendricks is hoping he can make his hometown sing a different tune.

Hendricks was baffled to learn "Kansas City," the 1950s ditty that goes, "I'm goin' to Kansas City — Kansas City here I come," was not

his city's official song.

ing ink.

So the Kansas City Star writer did what any columnist would do to stir up change — he started sling-

In recent months, his columns on correcting the oversight have caught the city's attention. The effort has even received the blessing of Mike Stoller and Jerry Leiber, the songwriters who penned the song in 1951.

This month, the newspaper and city planners will start a campaign to make the song the town's definitive golden oldie.

A bright future in steel

MS COLUMBUS — Gov. Haley Barbour signed a bill containing financial incentives to lure a steel mill to the state.

A company called SteelCorr wants to break ground this month on a minimil to manufacture automotive-grade steel. The plant is supposed to create 450 jobs paying an average of \$70,000 a year.

Navajo gambling

WINDOW ROCK — Navige Nation President Joe Shirley Jr. cleared the way for gambling at five trial chapters by taking no action on legislation passed by the tribal council. The council voted 59-14 last month for a proposal to legalize gambling in the Shiprock, Hogback and Manuelito chapters in New Mexico and the Nahata Dziil and Leupp chapters in Arziona.

Voting problems alleged

MD ROCKVILLE — A review of voting machines used in Maryland's most populous county for the November elections found that 7 percent of the machines had problems such as frozen screens or failed to boot up.

An additional 5 percent in Montgomery County had vote tallies that were considerably lower than other machines used in the same precincts, causing elections officials to deem them "suspect," according to the report. It was drafted by the county in December for the local election board.

But state officials disputed those figures, saying a review of the county's machines conducted by the state and the equipment's manufacturer showed that only 0.4 percent had significant problems in the Nov. 3 election.

4 killed at bus stop

LAS VEGAS — An SUV jumped the curb and plowed into a bench at a municipal bus stop, killing four people and scattering bodies, broken glass and schoolbooks.

The driver was jailed on suspicion of driving under the influ-

ence, police said.

The Ford Explorer skidded along a concrete wall about 10 miles from the Las Vegas Strip and demolished the bench on which the

victims were sitting, police said.
"Basically the bench is attached to the cement wall," Sgt. Chris Jones said. "There was no place for them to go."

The victims were not immediately identified but appeared to be in their middle and late teens, Jones said.

The 34-year-old driver was not seriously hurt.

Stories and photos from wire services

J Horoscope

The sun and moon are in compati ble water signs, stirring up a powerful elixir of emotion. Something that merely irked you yesterday now seems terribly urgent Holiday Mathis and must be dealt with before you become so impassioned that you lose all sense of appropriateness. There are only two

days left in this solar cycle.

Don't hesitate TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 18). You truly have a new attitude this year, which opens avenues for success. Exclusive circles welcome you. One social tie leads to another, and before you know it, you're in love! But the practicalities must be worked out by June, or it takes several more months for this relationship to hit a comfortable groove. Love signs are

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's easy to be snobbish. But the

Taurus and Šagittarius.

chance to practice compassion was never so apparent. The mess you witness this afternoon has everything to do with human error. Have pity on the poor creatures we all are

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

Someone close is in love with an idealized version of you. It's tempting to feed this fantasy and let it all go to your head! Is that so wrong? What if you saw yourself on a regu lar basis just as this person does?

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Put more heart into your work. Just when you think you're giving it your all, that overachiever shows up with a new standard for excellence. If you're doing your very, very best, there's no reason to feel bad about the end result

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The afternoon features a host of

strange but benign interruptions Beware of people who have nothing better to do with their time but "hang out." You need all the productive hours you can get.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The support you offer someone is not the same support that person can offer you. Nonetheless, don't stop giving.

You learn something new and find deeper wells of respect for a loved one when you step into his or her territory

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You need all the optimism you can

get today. Dress in cheery colors. Orange and gold are lucky. Some of you win money this afternoon. Use your spare hours to clean up a pig sty - even if it's not

LIBRA (Sept.

23-Oct. 23). Your way works for you. But be careful not to impose your vision of the world onto impressionable people

Children, especially, are very capable of forming their own opinions and should be encouraged to do so.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

Someone enthralling comes onto the scene this afternoon. It's hard for you to part company. You may even develop a fast crush. You are particularly susceptible to the charms of a Gemini or Pisces.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You catch the "fever." whether

it's hopping on to a hot trend, falling in love with an irresistible someone, or falling prey to that cold that's been passed around the office. (Steer clear of places known to host an array of germs.)

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You can smell success, and

you want to rush after it. But people around you feel safer when you act in a slow, controlled manner, As a famous officer once said. "Don't fire until you see the whites of their

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The pessimists close in. Hold onto your faith, you child of the air! The world depends on you to be fanciful and filled with wonder. Remember. before you were born, you could fly

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're not vulnerable, but you are open minded. If you crack the window to listen, loved ones fill your

ears with promises, promises - set out on your kitchen table like empty teacuns

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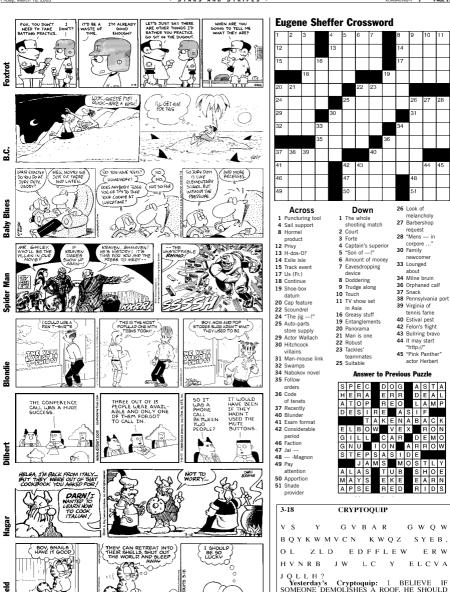




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Dear Abby

Adults' 'horseplay' dangerous

Dear Abby: Every holiday or special occasion that's celebrated in our home involves a certain amount of "horseplay" between the men — my two adult stepsons and stepsons-in-law. Their ages range from 38 to 40

When these supposed grown-ups come to visit. open gifts, etc., they wind up wrestling in our living room. The base of one of my lamps has been chipped, and once, my granddaughter (then 10) was pushed into a glass table and her back was

scraped through her shirt. I have asked them nicely to stop or to go downstairs, and this year I asked them to take it outside. They'll quit for a while, but act like I'm ruining their fun by telling them to stop. My husband refuses to say anything to them about it. He says it's a small price to pay because they are otherwise helpful, considerate and caring individuals, which is true. I should add that

or my furniture will be broken. - Not Amused in Washington

Dear Not Amused: You're afraid someone will be hurt? Someone WAS hurt — your granddaughter! If that wasn't a wake-up call for those literally

"high"-spirited, overgrown adolescents, it vill never happen. At the very least, the "boys" should pay to repair or replace any items they have dam

aged Alcohol isn't "in volved"; alcohol is the problem. Until the issue is brought out into the open in your family, your problem will continue.

Dear Abby: I invite my best friend, "Lara," out for lunch about twice a month, so we can sit down and catch up on our lives in person. I look forward to it, and consider it female bonding time. Because Lara currently bill for these outings. I don't mind doing it because I enjoy her company

Lara's husband, "Nicky," is out of work, and frankly, he's not looking very hard to find another one. My problem is that Lara usually asks me if Nicky can come along with her to lunch. I always say yes because I don't know how to say no without offending her. Paying for Nick drains my budget pretty quickly.

Is there a nice way of telling Lara that her husband's pres ence interferes with my one-on-one time?

- Frustrated in Rainy California Dear Frustrated: I think you've

put it very well in your letter. Her husband's presence restricts the kind of conversation you'd prefer to have with her, and the expense is busting your budget. That's neither offensive nor should it be embarrassing. It's the truth.

Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 6944 Los Angeles CA 90069. Readers can wr Los Angeles CA 90069. Réauers de to Abby on the Internet at http://www.uexpress.com/deara Universal Press Syndicate

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



HOW THE DRUNKEN COWBOX FELT WHEN THE SHERIFF PUT HIM IN THE COOLER

Now arrange the circled letters

to form the surprise answer, as

Answer

suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow) Jumbles: TITLE SOOTY FLATLY POISON The jockey's mail didn't arrive because it

was - LEFT AT THE "POST"

alcohol is involved has a low-paying job, I foot the Give wife last chance before divorce

Dear Annie: I have been married to "Ruth" for eight years, and we have a 7-year-old daugh-ter. The first year we dated, Ruth cheated on me with her ex-boyfriend. I forgave her and believed

it was an isolated incident. However, four years ago, I found evidence that Ruth was engaging in various cybersex activities, including exchanging nude nictures and discuss ing potential in-person meetings When I confronted Ruth, she denied everything, then tried to make me feel guilty for having caught her. Still, when she prom-ised to turn over a new leaf. I

believed her. Over the next few years, I repeatedly caught her in similar activity. After each confrontation, I stupidly believed she would change "this time."

Last year, Ruth went to her 10-year high school reunion, where she met up with the evabou friend. Someone saw them making out and told me.

Later. I found e-mail messages

where Ruth said she Annie's Mailbox had planned to sleep with her ex at the re union because she still wants him.

I've asked Ruth to go for counseling with me, but she refuses. I want a divorce. However, I worry about our daugh-

Also, a divorce might very well send us both into bankruptcy.

- Betrayed in the

Midwest Dear Betrayed: It is obvious that Ruth cannot be trusted and she is not committed to your marriage. Give her one last chance to prove otherwise. Tell her if she does not go with you for counseling, you are filing for divorce. Then see an attorney about your options and financial situation, and arrange some counseling for yourself and your daughter. For low-cost options, check the Nation al Legal Aid and Defender Association (www.nlada.org) and Alliance for Children and Families

(alliance1.org).

Dear Annie: This is in response to the woman who com-

plained about people not giving up their seats or stepping aside to let her pass into the church pew. I find her attitude rude

My husband and I arrive at church a half-hour early to get the seats we prefer. Why sh we give them up? Maybe "Hoo-sier" needs to set her alarm clock earlier. Her cry that "we have children" is just another excuse for lack of responsibility My mom raised seven children and on Sunday, we were all lined

up ready to go on time.

— California Churchgoer Dear California: No one is asking you to change seats if you don't wish to. But some people refuse to move out of the way and allow others to reach avail-able spots inside the pew. That, too, is rude, no matter how much later one shows up.

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Family Circus

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one letter to each square

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to form four ordinary words



"I'm okay with my p's and q's, but I have to mind my b's and d's.

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"SURE! WE'LL TAKE ALL THE MAGAZINES THAT HAVE COWBOYS AN' CARTOONS."



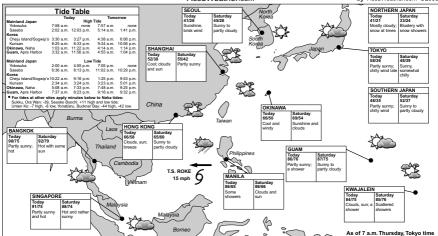
"Goldberg, you idiot! Don't play tricks on those ngs—they can't distinguish betwee 'laughing with' and 'laughing at'!"



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Extended Forecasts

high 41, low 27.

Sunday: Periods of clouds and high 54, low 38. Monday: Rain.

KADENA

Sunday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 72, low 57 Monday: Periods of clouds and sunshine. high 72, low 62.

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Sunday: Mostly sunny, high 50, low 34. Monday: Mostly sunny, high 56, low 44.

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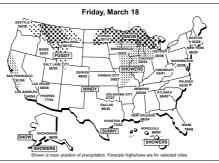
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HAGATNA

Sunday: Partly sunny, high 88, low 79 Monday: Periods of clouds and sunshine high 88, low 77.

Wednesday's USA Temperatures

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CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	49/29	Los Angeles	75/52
Amarillo	47/29	Little Rock	50/36
Anchorage	38/21	Louisville	49/34
Asheville	39/34	Miami	87/70
Baltimore	49/28	Milwaukee	42/26
Birmingham	51/41	Nashville	42/33
Bismarck	26/14	New York	45/32
Boise	61/39	Omaha	54/32
Boston	46/28	Orlando	85/64
Brownsville	60/43	Philadelphia	49/30
Buffalo	34/24	Phoenix	73/50
Burlington	35/19	Pittsburgh	41/21
Charleston, S	C 55/45	Portland, OR	56/43
Charlotte	43/35	Portland, ME	39/22
Cleveland	38/27	Salt Lake City	57/37
Columbus, Oh	45/28	St. Louis	56/34
Duluth	27/14	San Antonio	55/37
El Paso	52/32	San Diego	71/52
Hartford	44/25	San Juan	85/72
Helena	52/31	Tampa	78/66
Indianapolis	48/30	Tulsa	53/34
Jacksonville	74/54	Washington, D	
Kansas City	56/35	Wichita	55/35



U.S. Extended Forecast

Friday, a storm system will approach California, and some rain will fall in northern and central parts of the state, especially in the afternoon. Meanwhile, a storm over the Upper Midwest will produce some snow around Fargo and Minneapolis. High pressure will keep the southern Plains and Gulf Coast dry. Rain should end in the morning across coastal sections of the Carolinas. Aside from a few flurries near the Great Lakes, the Northeast and Ohio Valley will be dry with some sunshine. The weekend will bring gusty winds to the West Coast, and some rain and mountain snow will fall as well. Low prossure will weaken as it heads through the Great Lakes.

Friday's Pacific Temperatures					Friday's World Temperatures								
CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY H	HIGH/LOW
Bangkok	90/75	lwakuni	48/33	Sasebo NB	48/36	Acapulco	88/72	Budapest	61/43	Kabul	60/37	Nairobi	86/55
Beijing	50/36	Kadena AB	66/50	Sapporo	41/21	Athens	70/55	Buenos Aires	73/53	Kiev	39/20	New Delhi	93/68
Camp Casey	43/26	Kunsan AB	43/31	Seoul	41/26	Auckland	71/61	Cairo	77/50	Kuwait	77/53	Oslo	33/18
Christchurch	64/48	Kwajalein	84/75	Shanghai	52/38	Baghdad	76/48	Cancun	80/65	London	65/54	Paris	65/53
Diego Garcia	86/78	Manila	86/65	Singapore	91/75	Barbados	90/72	Cape Town	83/62	Madrid	68/49	Rio de Janeiro	78/67
Hagatna	86/76	Misawa AB	44/21	Sydney	67/54	Barcelona	63/50	Geneva	63/53	Mexico City	73/46	Rome	70/55
Hanoi	72/61	Osan	43/27	Taegu	48/33	Berlin	54/36	Istanbul	60/45	Montreal	35/20	St. Petersburg	19/9
Hong Kong	66/58	Perth	83/61	Taipei	65/50	Bermuda	60/52	Jerusalem	64/46	Mogadishu	90/75	Stockholm	27/11
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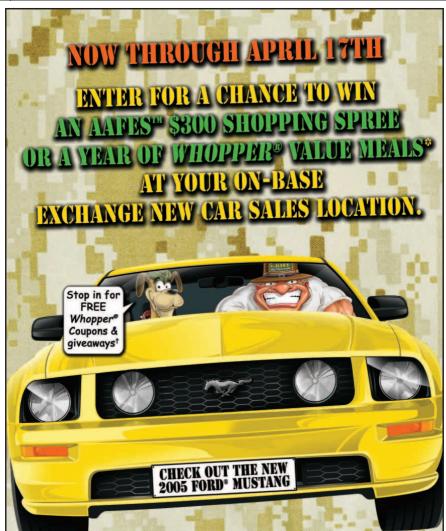
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AFN-Sports, 9 a.m.-Auto racing: Indy League IndyCar Menards Infiniti Series at Homestead-Miami Speedway, Homestead,

la. **AFN-Atlantic, 9 a.m.**-College basket-pall-NCAA tournament: First round, Chatta-nooga vs. Wake Forest, Creighton vs. Wesl Virginia.

AFN radio Korea, 9 a.m.-College basket-ball-NCAA tournament: First round, Nevada pall-NCAA tournament: First round, Nevada is. Texas. AFN-Sports, 10 a.m.-NBA: L.A. Lakers at Mami. AFN radio Korea, 11 a.m.-College basket-hall-NCAA tournament: First round, UCLA vs.

exas Tech.

AFN-Sports, 12:30 p.m.-NBA: Sacramento t Golden State. it Goiden State. AFN-Sports, 3 p.m.-NBA: Inside the NBA. AFN-Sports, 5 p.m.-College basket-ball-NCAA tournament: First round, Win-hrop vs. Gonzaga, UCLA vs. Texas Tech (dld).

AFN-Sports, 11 p.m.-Tennis-Masters Se ries: Pacific Life Open, women's singles quar terfinals, pairings to be determined (dld).

Saturday

AFN-Sports, 2 a.m.-College basket-ball-NCAA tournament: First round, North Carolina State vs. North Carolina-Charlotte Carolina State vs. North Carolina-Charlotte, Central Florida vs. Connecticut. AFN-Pacific/Korea, 2 a.m.-College basket-ball-NCAA tournament: First round. Ohio vs. w Mexico vs. Villa AFN radio Okinawa, Korea, 2 a.m.-College asketball-NCAA tournament: First round Dasketball-NCAA tournament: A.m.-College basketball-NCAA tournament: First round, St. Mary's, Calif. vs. Southern Illinois. AFN-Sports, 7 a.m.-College basket-ball-NCAA tournament: ESPN College Gameball-NCAA tournament: Early Conege Can-Day scoreboard. AFN-Atlantic, 9 a.m.-College basket-ball-NCAA tournament: First round, Dela-ware State vs. Duke, Mississippi State vs. stanford.

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Wednesday's games N.Y. Mets 4, Florida 3 N.Y. Mets 4, Florida 3 Minnesota 5, Troonto 0 Boston 9, St. Louis 3 Houston 11, Gleveland 5 LA, Dodgers 7, Baltimore Pittsburgh 9, N.Y. Yankee Philadelphia 4, Cincinneat Philadelphia 4, Cincinneat Philadelphia 4, Cincinneat Philadelphia 4, Cincinneat College 1, San Diego 1 Colorado 4, L.A. Angels 2 Washington vs. Atlanta at Washington vs. Atlanta at

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College basketball

Men's NIT

Opening Round
Wednesday, March 16
Drexel (17-11) at Buffalo (22-9)
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17-14) First Round Monday, March 14 Western Michigan 54, Marquet Tuesday, March 15 Holy Cross 78, Notre Dame 73 South Carolina 69, Miami 67 Virginia Tech 60, Temple 50 DePaul 75, Missouri 70

DePaul 75, Missouri 70 Wednesday, March 16 Texas Christian (19-13) at Miami (Ohio) 19-10) 19-10)
Boston U. (20-8) at Georgetown (17-12)
Northeastern (21-9) at Memphis (19-15)
Vanderbilt (18-13) at Indiana (15-13)
Clemson (16-15) at Texas A&M (19-9)
Oral Roberts (25-7) at Maryland (16-12)
Thursday, March 17
Arizona State (18-13) at UnIV (16-13)

NCAA Men's Div. II Tournament

Regional Finals
Monday, March 14
Cal Poly Pomona 65, Alaska-Fairbanks 58
Tuesday, March 15
Bryant 74, Bentley 6

East
Mount Olive 80, Salem International 73
South Central
Tarleton State 75, Tex. A&M-Commerce 70
South
Lynn 67, Montevallo 54 Great Lakes

Great Lakes
Findlay 94, Ferris State 73
North Central
Metro State 89, South Dakota 84
South Atlantic

South Atlantic
Virginia Union 70, Bowie State 64
Quarterfinals 23
Bryant (23-8) vs. Mount Olive (29-4)
Tarleton State (24-8) vs. Cal Poly Pomona (24-6) 5) etro State (29-3) vs. Virginia Atlantic

(27-4) Lynn (28-5) vs. Findlay (30-3) Men's NCAA Div. III tournament

Friday, March 18 Semifinals Ichester (24-4) vs. Calvin (26-6) Is.-Stevens Pt. (27-3) vs. York, Pa. (27-3)

Men's NAIA Div. I tournament

First Round
Wednesday, March 16
Oklahoma City (19-11) vs. Mobile (30-5)
Langston (25-7) vs. St. Xavier (28-6)
Lindsey Wilson (29-3) vs. Faulkner (19-14)
Concordia, Calif. (26-8) vs. Carroli, Mont

(25-6) Lewis-Clark St. (25-8) vs. Trevecca Nazare-(25-6) ne (24-7) Brescia (24-7) vs. Oklahoma Christian (26-6) (20-9) Mountain St. (29-3) vs. Columbia, Mo. (21-13) Azusa Pacific (25-9) vs. Houston Baptist (23-9)

Thursday, March 17 Xavier, NO (24-9) vs. Robert Morris-Chicag0 (26-4) Oklahoma Baptist (23-10) vs. Westminster, Utah (23-9) Georgeton Georgetown, Ky. (20-3) v.s. ca... ern (22-8) Fishhock Christian (21-9) vs. Cal. Baptist wn, Ky. (26-5) vs. Ga. Southwest-

) nberland, Kv. (22-8) vs. LSU-Shreveport Voorhees (14-16) vs. Southern Poly St. (31-3) on, Tenn. (24-8) vs. John Brown (19-11) souri Baptist (24-8) vs. Biola (26-7)

Men's NAIA Div. II tournament

Semifinals Monday, March 14 Concordia, Neb. 52, Cedarville 5 Walsh 77, Oregon Tech 70 Championship Tuesday, March 15 Walsh 81, Concordia, Neb. 70

NCAA Women's tournament

PHILADELPHIA REGIONAL First Round First Round
Saturday, March 19
North Carolina State (21-7) vs. Middle Tennessee State (23-8)
Texas Tech (22-7) vs. Texas-Arlington (21-9)

Sunday, March 20 New Mexico (26-4) vs. Purdue (16-12) Tennessee (26-4) vs. Western Car

(18-13) we sueen Carolina Temple (27-3) vs. Louisiana Tech (20-9) Rutgers (25-6) vs. Hartford (22-8) Ohio State (26-4) vs. Holy Cross (20-10) Maryland (21-9) vs. Wisconsin-Green Bay (27-3)

Second Round
Monday, March 21
North Carolina State/Middle Tennessee
State vs. Texas Tech/Texas-Artington
Tuesday, March 22
Tennessee/Western Carolina vs. New MexLoo/Purdue

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Georgia (22-9) vs. Rote (24-8)

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DePaul/Va. Tech vs. Penn State/Liberty
BC/Houston vs. Duke/Canisius
Semifinals

Semifinals
Saturday, March 26
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Iowa State/Utah vs. Stanford/Santa Clara Vanderbilt/Montana vs. Kansas St./BGSU Tuesday, March 22 Florida St./Richmond vs. UConn/Dartmouth Semfinals

Semifinals Sunday, March 27 Michigan State/Alcorn State—South California/Louisville vs, Vanderbilt/M tana—Kansas State/Bowling Green Florida St./Richmond—UConn/Dartmo vs. Iowa State/Utah—Stanford/Santa Clar Tuesday, March 29

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n (22-8 Minnesota (24-7) vs. St. Francis, Pa. (21-9) Minnesota (24-7) vs. St. Francis, Pa. (21-9) Arizona St. (22-9) vs. Eastern Kentucky (23-7) Notre Dame (26-5) vs. UC Santa Barbara (21-8) Baylor (27-3) vs. Illinois State (13-17) Texas Christian (23-9) vs. Oregon (20-9)

Sunday, March 20

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North Florida 5, Iowa 4 Liberty Bell Classic Lehigh 3, Temple 2 Interservice

UNLV 8, Arizona 4 Winthrop 4, Hawaii 3, 15 innings TOURNAMENTS Kennel Club Classic Jacksonville 6, Bradley 2

2005 March Madness Open Basketball Tournament

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Korea boys soccer

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Tennis

Pacific Life Open

Wednesday At The Indian Wells Tennis Garden Indian Wells, Calif.

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Miami Heat's Dwyane Wade reacts after hitting the game-winning shot as time expired against the New York Knicks on Tuesday.

Wade beats buzzer, lifts Heat to No. 50

Dwvane Wade made Miami's 50th victory look easy with a buzzer heater that clinched the Heat a spot in the postseason.

Wade hit a fadeaway 22-footer to give Miami a 98-96 victory over the host New York Knicks on Tuesday night and extend its winning streak to 10

The Heat became the first NBA team to secure a playoff spot. "When they put the ball in your

hands, they put it there for a reason," Wade said. "That's a shot I always dreamed of taking, especially at

the Garden. It was a dream come true for me Wade finished with 24 points

and five assists, Shaquille O'Neal scored 23 and Damon Jones made six threes for 18 points for Miami. Stephon Marbury led New

York with 24 points, Tim Thomas added 20 and Jamal Crawford had 12 assists. New York had a chance to go

ahead on the game's next-to-last possession, but Kurt Thomas came up short on an 18-footer from the corner. Miami rebounded and called its final timeout

with 14 seconds left.
On the final play, Wade was iso-lated against rookie defender Trevor Ariza at the top of the key. Switching his dribble from hand to hand and using his quick footwork. Wade gave himself just enough room to shoot.

"I played him straight up. He hit a tough shot to win the game, and there's nothing else to say, Ariza said.

"He's an All-Star. He's going to hit shots like that."

Cavaliers 92, Jazz 73: At Cleveland, LeBron James scored 36 points in 34 dominant minutes against Carlos Boozer's new team, leading the Cavaliers to their third straight victory.



James went 11-for-15 from the field, 12-for-16 on free throws and added nine rebounds

Drew Gooden, acquired by Cleveland in a trade last summer to replace Boozer, added 10 points and 10 rebounds.

Timberwolves 100. Mayericks 91: At Dallas, Kevin Garnett scored 11 of his 25 points in the

fourth quarter and Sam Cassell celebrated his return to the line up with 15 points, including a three-pointer in the closing min-Dallas coach Don Nelson re-

turned from a three-game absence while caring for his wife to see his team lose at home for the fifth time in nine tries.

Dirk Nowitzki had 21 points and 15 rebounds, but missed nine of his first 12 shots and finished just 6-for-19

SuperSonics 99, Bulls 93: At Chicago, Rashard Lewis scored 30 points and Ray Allen had 17 noints and seven assists to lead Se-

Ben Gordon had 11 points of his 21 points in the fourth quarter for Chicago.

Kings 105, Magic 94: At Sac-amento, Calif., Mike Bibby ramento, Calif., scored 10 straight fourth-quarter points with three three-pointers and the Kings sent Orlando to its season-worst fifth consecutive de-

Peja Stojakovic scored 27 points and Bibby had 21 points, 10 assists and six rehounds in the Kings' 10th straight victory over Orlando at Arco Arena.

Steve Francis had 25 points, eight rebounds and seven assists, and Grant Hill 24 points for Orlan-

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Iverson chips bone in win The Associated Press lantic Division. Winning the divi-

PHILADELPHIA Iverson outperformed Kobe Bryant, scoring 36 points and leading a decisive third-quarter run in the 76ers' 108-91 victory over the Los Angeles Lakers on Tuesday night.

Iverson helped pull the Sixers (31-33) to withing four games of Boston for first place in the Atsion may be the only way to qualify for the Sixers, who remain stuck in ninth place in the Eastern Conference.

Iverson, though, chipped a bone in his left thumb sometime during the game and will be fitted for a cast. He is day-to-day.

Bryant led the Lakers with 20 points, but had little help.

Augmon suspended one game

The Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Orlando Magic forward Stacey Augmon was suspended for one game by the NBA on Tuesday for cursing and throwing lotion at a member of the media after a loss to the New Jersey Nets.

"What he did was not the right thing to do," Magic coach Johnny Davis said be-

fore his team played the Kings. never should happen again.' Teammate

NBA briefs

DeShawn Stevenson was fined \$7,500 for kicking the ball into the stands at the final buzzer of the Magic's 98-82 home loss Sunday night.

Court rules search illegal in Stoudamire drug case

SALEM, Ore. - A police search that turned up marijuana in Portland guard Damon Damon Stoudamire's former Lake Oswego house three years ago was illegal, a split Oregon Court of Ap-

peals ruled Wednesday.

The decision was 5-5, upholding the original ruling that the warrantless search Stoudamire's con violated constitutional rights and that the seized drug couldn't be used as evidence.

Stoudamire was charged with felony possession of more than 150 grams of marijuana after Lake Oswego police responded to reports of a burglar alarm at Stoudamire's house on Feb. 23,

The front door of the house was aiar when police arrived.

Officers searched the house for intruders and said they found about a pound of marijuana in an

attic storage area. Howard out for at least four weeks with knee sprain

HOUSTON - Houston Rockets forward Juwan Howard will be sidelined for at least four weeks after spraining his right knee during a collision with a teammate against Golden State on Monday night.

Howard is averaging 9.6 points and 5.7 rebounds in his first sea son with the Rockets.

Bobcats' Slay out for season after ankle surgery

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - Charlotte Bobcats forward Tamar Slav will miss the remainder of the season after undergoing arthroscopic surgery on his left ankle, coach Bernie Bickerstaff said Tuesday.

Slay appeared in eight games, and averaged 3.5 points and 1.8 rebounds in 9.8 minutes. He was placed on the injured list Dec. 14 and has missed the last 43 games

Pistons coach Brown out indefinitely after surgery

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. - De troit Pistons coach Larry Brown is out indefinitely after having surgery related to a November hip operation.

When Brown can return will be determined by his doctors, Pis-tons spokesman Kevin Grigg said Tuesday.

McGwire to comply, testify at hearing

BY RONALD BLUM The Associated Pres

NEW YORK - Mark McGwire plans to comply with a subpoena and attend Thursday's congressional hearing into steroid use in eball, The Associated Press has learned

McGwire's decision, revealed Wednesday by a representative of the former Oakland and St. Louis slugger who spoke on condition of anonymity, made it likely all six subpoenaed players would

attend the session on Capitol Hill. Less than 24 hours before the start of the highly anticipated hearing, Jose Canseco's request for immunity was denied by the House Government Reform committee, which also revealed that baseball's drug-testing agree-ment contains a provision that testing would be "suspended im-mediately" if the government conducts an independent investigation into drug use in baseball.

Sen. John McCain, who has pushed for tougher rules, said the details of baseball's proposed new agreement angered him.

"I can reach no conclusion but that the league and the players union have misrepresented to me and to the American public the substance of MLR's new steroid nolicy" he said "I expect the league and the players' union to modify the new policy to comply with at least what was announced by MLB in January. To do anything less than that would constitute a violation of the public's trust, a blow to the integrity of Major League Baseball, and an invitation to further scrutiny of the league's steroid policy.'

Canseco's lawyer said the former AL MVP will not be able to answer questions that would in-

"No witnesses have been or will be granted immunity," David Marin, a spokesman for committee chairman Rep. Tom Davis, said in an e-mail to the AP.

Canseco's lawyer, Robert Saunooke, was angry "It begs the question as to what



they're convening this hearing 'Saunooke said in a telephone rview. "They effectively cut interview.

the legs off from underneath us.' Saunooke has said that without immunity, Canseco would invoke his Fifth Amendment right to

refuse to answer questions They told me we can't do the Fifth to every question," he said. 'It's an absolute right of every citizen to not be compelled to give tes-timony against themselves. They do not make the decision. We do

As an example of how immunity would limit Canseco, Saunooke brought up McGwire's repeated denials of steroid use.

If he still holds to that lie, then the only way we can disprove that is to give specific instances and talk openly and freely," Saunooke said. "If we can't do that, then our credibility is undermined

Boston pitcher Curt Schilling said he will comply with the subpoena, and Chicago White Sox trainer Herm Schneider said that Frank Thomas left Tucson, Ariz. on Tuesday, would stop at his home in Las Vegas, then would travel to Washington. Sammy Sosa and Rafael Palmeiro also were headed to Washington, Baltimore Orioles vice president Mike Flanagan said. New York Yankees slugger

Jason Giambi who also was subpoenaed last week, was excused Tuesday from testifying because of his involvement in the continuing federal investigation into illegal steroid distribution

"I would have done whatever they would have asked me to do and go from there," Giambi said Wednesday.

Baseball commissioner Bud Selig, union head Donald Fehr, baseball executive vice presidents Rob Manfred and Sandy Alderson and San Diego general manager Kevin Towers also will testify. Jason Giambi was excused from Thursday's congressional hearing beinvolvement in the federal

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President Bush, the former Texas Rangers owner, refused to say whether the decision to sub poena players was an abuse of ssional power.

"I'm wise enough not to second-guess the intentions of the United States Congress," he said. "I do appreciate the public con-cern about the use of steroids in sport, whether it be baseball or anywhere else, because I understand that when a professional athlete uses steroids, it sends terrible signals to youngsters.

Canseco, whose recent book ac-cused several baseball stars of using steroids, submitted an opening statement to the committee in which he said. "I did not know that my revelations would reverberate in the halls of this chamber and in the hearts of so many." Canseco's statement was first reported on the Web site of The (Baltimore) Sun, then obtained by the AP.

"I had hoped that what I experi enced firsthand, when revealed, would give insight into a darker side of a game that I loved. said, "that maybe it would force baseball to acknowledge it con doned this activity for the sole purpose of increasing revenue at the gate. Unfortunately, by our presence here today, it is clear that MLB is not interested in admitting the truth."

Canseco said he had endured criticism because of Major

League Baseball.

"All of these attacks have been spurred on by an organization that holds itself above the law, an organization that chose to exploit its players for the increased revenue that lines its pockets and then sacrifice those same players to protect the web of secrecy that was hidden for so many years."

ington, David Ginsburg in Balti-and Howard Ulman in Fort Myers.

Giants given victory after lights go out

This time, no one could say it

was lights out just because San Francisco's Jason Schmidt was on the mound. After all, he gave

But the lights did go out after his work was finished Tuesday night. A power failure hit Scottsdale Stadium, and the Giants were declared 3-2 winners over the Milwaukee Brewers in the Arizona desert. San Francisco's Brian Dalli-

more was leading off the bottom of the eighth inning and Garv Glover was looking in for the sign with a 1-2 count - when the power failed

"It went dark right away," Dalli-more said. "I looked back and I couldn't see the fans, the catcher

Spring training

Friday, March 18, 2005

Auxiliary lights came on within a minute, but the stadium never regained full illumination.

Earlier, Schmidt allowed his first run of the spring and insists he has yet to find his rhythm. He gave up a home run to Chad Moeller, snapping an eight-inning scoreless streak.

"There will be a stretch of four pitches where I felt I had it and then all of a sudden I didn't know what I was doing." Schmidt said. "I'm still out of synch."

Schmidt allowed two hits and walked three while striking out seven. He's given up four hits and has 11 strikeouts in 10 innings for a spring ERA of 0.90.

Schilling pessimistic about starting opener

The Associated Press

FORT MYERS, Florida - Curt Schilling said he doesn't think there's a chance he'd start on Opening Day after he threw Wednesday to Red Sox batters in a simulated game.

He threw 63 pitches before Boston's game against the St. Louis Cardinals and said he made progress. But time is running out since the Red Sox have two weeks left in the exhibition season and

he hasn't pitched in a game. Red Sox General Manager Theo Epstein said it would be a surprise if Schilling pitched the opener on April 3 against the Yan-kees in New York, Manager Terry Francona didn't think it was realistic that he'd pitch then. "If you do the math, I don't think so." Schilling said when

asked if there's a chance he'll pitch in the opener, "but I haven't sat down and looked at the schedule so, in my mind. I will pitch in the big leagues, hopefully, the day I'm ready to be activated if have to start the season on the disabled list or whatever the scenar-

The Red Sox have three days off in the first 10 days of the regular season and wouldn't need a



start the sea-son on the disabled list. Schilling, who underwent SHIPgery last No-

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vember after pitching in the World Series on a temporarily repaired ankle, said ankle is not bothering him and he expects his next activity to

he in a game. He last threw to batters last Fri-

day but that was during batting practice "Curt Schilling is not the Open-

ing Day starter for us," said Doug Mirabelli one of the hitters during Schilling's session. He described Schilling's top speed as about 90 miles per hour and as having an outstanding splitter.

"I felt good, a step in the right direction," Schilling said. "I don't know that I was unhap-

py about anything. I think stamiwise, I was a little bit gassed at the end but I think that's kind of to be expected."

Indians extend Wedge's deal Wedge, 37, the youngest man The Associated Press

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. - Eric

Wedge will get the chance to build on what he has accom-plished in his first two years as Cleveland Indians manager. Cleveland signed Wedge to a two-year extension Wednesday,

keeping him under contract with the Indians until 2007. The extension also includes a two-year club option through

"I greatly appreciate this show of confidence. Stability like this helps get the job done," Wedge

er in the majors, led the American League's voungest team in 2004 to an 80-82 record. After going 68-94 the previous year, the Indians had five players on the 2004 AL All-Star team and were within one game of first place in the AL Central on Aug. 15. The Indians said that bench

coach Buddy Bell, hitting coach Eddie Murray, pitching coach Carl Willis, third-base coach Joel Skinner, first-base coach Jeff Datz, bullpen coach Luis Isaac and bullpen assistant Dan Williams had their contracts extended through the 2006 season.



Norwegian musher Sorlie wins second Iditarod title

BY RACHEL D'ORO

The Associated Press NOME Alaska - Norway's Robert Sorlie won the Iditarod on Wednesday, overcoming insom-

nia and a dwindling dog team for his second win in only three tries. Sorlie, a 47-year-old firefighter, crossed under the arch that serves as the finish line at 8:39 a.m., winning the 1,100-mile race hours, 39 minutes and 31 seconds.
"It feels good," Sorlie said. "I

am ready for breakfast." Sorlie finished the race with eight dogs - half the number he started the race with but the same number that took him to victory two years ago

Sorlie is a three-time champion of Norway's premier long-distance sled dog race, the 600-mile Finnmarkslopet.

third time Sorlie had made the 1,100-mile trip from Anchorage to Nome, a town of 3,500 at the edge of the frozen Bering Sea. In his first showing, in 2002, he finished ninth, setting a rookie

record. He won the race in 2003. This time, Sorlie grabbed the lead early. The owner of a small kennel, he fended off a strong field that included seasoned veterans and five other Iditarod cham-

"I think this win is better than the 2003," he said. "This year, the dogs are better."

Sorlie is the second Iditarod winner born outside the United States and the second person who didn't make their home in Alaska to win. Doug Swingley of Lincoln, Mont., won four times and Martin Buser, a Swiss native who has lived in

came a U.S. citizen after winning his fourth Iditarod in 2002.

For winning the 33rd Iditarod. Sorlie will receive \$72,066.67 and a pickup truck. Seventy-nine mushers started this year's race. which has a purse of \$750,000. As

of Wednesday morning, 66 mushers were still running Ed Iten, racing in his seventh Iditarod, finished second about 35 minutes behind Sorlie.

Rudi Johnson, Pace get long-term deals

CINCINNATI - The Cincinnati Bengals signed running back Rudi Johnson to a five-year contract on Wednesday, a year after he set the team's season record for rushing yardage

Johnson's agent, Peter Schaffer, said the deal was worth close to published reports of \$26 million, with \$12 million guaranteed

contract replaces one-year, \$6.3 million deal Johnson signed on March 7 after he was designated the team's franchise player on Feb. 15. He was paid \$1.8 million in 2004.

"He's to be commended for his part in keeping the core of our offensive unit together," coach Marvin Lewis said

Johnson, who ran for 1,454 yards last season, joins three other key offensive players quarterback Carson Palmer and wide receivers Chad Johnson and T.J. Houshmandzadeh — who are signed with the team through at least 2008

Pace, Rams agree to 7-year deal

ST. LOUIS - For the first time in four seasons, Orlando Pace will be playing with more than a one-year contract

The St. Louis Rams and the six-time Pro Bowl offensive tackle beat a looming deadline on Wednesday, agreeing on seven-year, \$52.9 million deal.

The team said it would hold a news conference on Thursday to discuss the deal, which will ensure an on-time arrival in train-



ing camp for Pace. The past two seasons Pace held out throughout training camp

The Rams had faced a 3 p.m. deadline to re-sign Pace, who visited the Houston Texans on Monday and Tuesday to discuss a possible deal. Had the Rams failed to re-sign Pace by the deadline, the sides couldn't have signed a contract until July 15.

Colts' James signs franchise offer, still seeking trade

INDIANAPOLIS - The Indianapolis Colts' career rushing leader is staying put - for now

Former two-time NFL rushing champion Edgerrin James signed one-year franchise offer

Wednesday that will pay him a little more than \$8 million this year. But that won't slow James' efforts to get a long-term deal or seek a trade

"We think by making the move. it will help facilitate either a long-term deal or enhance our chances of working out a trade," said Drew Rosenhaus, James' agent. "We've always stated we are not interested in playing out a one-year deal."

The move comes one week after team president Bill Polian told Rosenhaus that the Colts could not afford to sign James to a

long-term contract Rosenhaus has been trying to lian told Rosenhaus would not require a first-round pick for the three-time Pro Bowler

The Colts are prohibited from reaching a long-term agreement with James before mid-July or they would lose the franchise tag for the length of the contract.

QB Johnson rejoins Vikings

MINNEAPOLIS - The Minnesota Vikings agreed to terms with Brad Johnson on Wednesday, bringing the quarterback back to where he began his NFL career 13 years ago

Johnson will get a four-year contract worth \$6 million with a \$1.2 million signing bonus, agent Philip Williams said

He will replace Gus Frerotte, who signed with Miami earlier in the week. Johnson will serve as the backup to Daunte Culpepper. In other developments Tues-

day and Wednesday: ■ The Cleveland Browns signed free agent linebacker Matt Stewart to a three-year contract. giving coach Romeo Crennel another option for his 3-4 defensive scheme. Stewart, 25, was Atlanta's second-leading tackler last on with 89 stops.

■ Offensive tackle Tom Ash worth, who missed the second half of last season and the playoffs with a back injury, re-signed with the New England Patriots.

■ San Diego signed outside line backer Steve Foley to a three-year contract extension through 2009 worth roughly \$10 million. Foley had 10 sacks last season



Chris Carter of Okinawa's Spotlight shoots over Greg Cummins of Japan's Camp Fuji on Wednesday in the March Madness tournament at Andersen Air Base, Guam. Spotlight won 100-44. Results on Page 26.

Guam prep players help Anderson women's team

BY DAVE ORNAUER Stars and Strines

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam — For Guam High basketball players Porsche Jones, Jackie Street and Jamese Slade, this week's March Madness tournament is the best of both worlds.

Not only are they providing the host Andersen Bombers women's team an inside presence, but the three hope the grind of a six-day tournament can help them prepare for the high school season, which is played in the spring on

"Playing adults is two times more intense than high school." said Jones, a senior.

"It helps us increase our skills," added Slade, a sonhomore

"They're stronger and faster, Street, a junior, said of adult play-"High-school ball is not as fast or as physical. And you have to think more. These players are smarter and more experienced."

With Guam High and the rest of the island's public and private schools off this week for spring break, the three Panthers offered with the Bombers at March Madness.

They were welcomed with open arms, said Andersen guard Pam Haley, mainly for their abilities inside; the three prep players, add some height to an otherwise short Bombers squad.

"They're a great asset," Haley said. "They add quickness, and we didn't have any post players. They help out inside a lot.

The Bombers were one of five teams entered in the combined round-robin/double-elimination playoff tournament. Three of the five qualify for the playoffs.

Whether Andersen qualifies or not and whether the Rombers end up playing for all six days or just four, the high-school threesome say they'll take with them an extra edge entering the regular season, starting on a date to be determined later this month.

"We'll be physically and mentally prepared," Slade said. 'We're getting in shape, getting psyched and getting prepared. And instead of them [adults] bumping us around, we'll be bumping [other high school teams] around."

Guam High returns four starters and seven total players to a team that enjoyed its best-ever season a year ago. The Panthers took third place in the regular season and made it to the league quarterfinals.

Jones left little doubt of her optimism about the team's chances of winning their first league title in the school's eight-year history.

"All the way," Jones said with-out hesitation. "We're taking the title this year. E-mail Dave Ornauer a

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A novel season nets rave reviews

Hawkeves finish strong after dismissing their top scorer

BY C. TRENT ROSECRANS

Cincinnati Pos

His team lost, but Iowa basketball coach Steve Alford knew things would be OK following the

Hawkeyes' 75-64 loss to Michigan State on Feb. 5. Just three days after kicking his leading scorer, Pierre Pierce, off the team, the Hawkeyes came back from a 22-point deficit in the second half to get

within three points with a minute left.

"We didn't give up," Alford said about that game "That solidified it in our minds that we were going to respond the right way."

Iowa didn't win, but it was the way his team re-sponded that gave the former Indiana point guard hope his team could overcome a soap-opera season and advance to where they are now, preparing for the first round of the NCAA tournament against Cin-

cinnati on Thursday at Indianapolis. Pierce, who led the Hawkeyes with 17.8 points per game, was dismissed from the team on Feb. 2 after an incident involving an ex-girlfriend at an Iowa City apartment complex on Jan. 27. Pierce pled not guilty to three felony charges and a misdemeanor on March 1

A trial for the two counts of first-degree burglary and one count of assault with intent to commit sexual assault, as well as the misdemeanor count of fourth-degree criminal mischief, will likely begin in mid-May

When dismissing Pierce, Alford said his star didn't take advantage of his second chance. Pierce was charged with third-degree sexual assault in

2002. He pleaded guilty to a lesser charge.

Despite what Alford felt was a positive response against the Spartans, the Hawkeves lost five of their next six following Pierce's dismissal. Four of those five were against teams in the NCAA tournament -Michigan State, Wisconsin, Illinois and Minnesota.

"I thought playing those teams, even though they were losses, they proved to themselves things would be OK," Alford said.

The biggest surprise was that even after losing a player the caliber of Pierce, the Hawkeyes didn't change much schematically. The Hawkeyes are



Iowa basketball coach Steve Alford encourages his players after the Hawkeyes' victory last week over Michigan State in the Big Ten tournament, a result that gave an enormous boost to Iowa's NCAA hopes.

doing pretty much the same things they did with Pierce, only with Mike Henderson in the starting

lineup instead. The scoring load has shifted from Pierce to sophomore guard Adam Haluska. The Iowa State trans

is averaging 17.4 points a game since Pierce was dismissed. He was averaging 12.4 points before that. Junior forward Greg Brunner has averaged 15.5 points per game following Pierce's dismissal and iunior point guard Jeff Horner is averaging 15

points per game in the past 12. "We had every reason to coast, but I've got to give credit to our guys," Alford said.

The key game for the turnaround, according to Alford, was a 78-56 victory at Penn State on Feb. 26. "It may sound too simple, but it gave us a lot of

confidence," Alford said.

Amid talk of Alford's job security, the win at Penn State was the start of a five-game winning streak that led the Hawkeyes from NTT preparations to the NCAA tournament bubble and the Big Ten tournament semifinals, where they fell to Wisconsin on a

last-second shot It put the Hawkeyes in position to make the NCAA tournament, yet there were plenty of doubts as the team sat through the selection show on Sunday.

When Iowa was finally announced on the final bracket that was unveiled there was so much celebration that there was little regard to whom the Hawkeyes would face and where they'd play.

"When all's said and done, it's how you handle ings," Alford said. "In coaching, I learned from when I was a player, there are good times, bad times and ugly times. If you're steadfast in what you be-lieve in all three times, you'll be successful."

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Iowa is in a state of hoops euphoria

BY CHUCK SCHOFFNER

DES MOINES, Iowa - What a week to be a basketball fan in

Iowa State, Iowa and Northern Iowa are getting ready to play in the men's NCAA tournament, the Iowa State women are in the NCAAs and the boys' high school tournament is under way in Des Moines.

Being a product of the state of Iowa, a product of Iowa high school basketball, to have it happen in the week of the boys tournament. I can't imagine more excitement in the state of Iowa over basketball than there is today," Northern Iowa coach Greg McDermott said Monday.

Iowa (21-11) gets things started on Thursday afternoon against Cincinnati (24-7) in Indianapolis. Iowa State (18-11) plays Minnesota (21-10) on Friday afternoon in Charlotte, N.C. and Northern Iowa (21-10) takes on Wisconsin on Friday night in Oklahoma City.

"Obviously, it's terrific for the state," Iowa coach Steve Alford said. "Iowa State has had a great run. Northern Iowa has been solid all year. We had to play both of those teams ir hard-fought games in our building, so we have a lot of respect for both of those programs."

In the women's tournament,

Iowa State (23-6) plays Utah (25-7) in Fresno, Calif., on Saturday night.

This is the first time the state has put three teams in the men's NCAA tournament. All three got in as at-large selections, which is especially noteworthy for

The Panthers had to win their

conference tournament to earn their two previous NCAA berths

last year and in 1990. "It's somewhat unbelievable," said McDermott, who grew up in Cascade. "It's one thing to win a conference tournament. But when you think about the number of teams competing for those few at-large bids, it's hard to do. For us to be standing here as an at-large recipient, it's phenomenal."

McDermott thanked the two other state schools for helping make that happen. Iowa and Iowa State play Northern Iowa every year and that strengthens the Panthers' schedule. A game at Cincinnati early in the season also helped UNI's résumé

"We owe a debt of gratitude for Iowa State and Iowa," Mc-Dermott said. "Without their willingness to play us, we would not have a leg to stand on in competing for at-large bids."

It will be the first NCAA tour-

nament for all the Iowa and Iowa State players. Both schools last played in the tournament in 2001

"My goal, since I was a little kid, was to get to the point we're at right now," Iowa's Greg Brunner said

Iowa State made the field in its second season under coach Wayne Morgan, who picked up the pieces from Larry Eustachy's messy departure in 2003. Morgan said he was confident this would happen.

"I don't know if I saw us in the NCAA two years later, but I saw us in the NCAA as we built the team," he said. "Our objective now is to get to the point where we take it almost for granted and get to the point where we can try to compete to win the thing."

Identity: Do you know me now?

Vermont's Taylor Coppenrath is a three-time conference player of the year who has NBA-type talent.

Off the court, Coppenrath is an unassuming personality from a small Vermont town. When

an elementary school student asked him to speak to his class, Coppenrath said yes. Then the child called him the day of the speech and said he couldn't come because his father, who was supposed to drive him, had to work. So Coppenrath picked up the boy at his house and drove him there.

Fazekas, a 6-11 sophomore was the WAC Player of the Year, averaging 21.8 points and 10.7 rebounds. Basketball junkies got a glimpse of how good he is when Nevada beat Vermont and Coppenrath in a Bracket Busters match-

His nose was broken in the regular season finale at San Jose State and he'll continue to wear a protective mask in NCAA play.

"The mask is no big deal. I don't even know it is on my face anymore," Fazekas said. Mendez is the top-scoring Canadian-born

player in Division I history, passing the likes of NBA star Steve Nash. The Spanish-speaking native of Montreal, the MAAC player of the year, is the only player this season to rank in the top 10 in both scoring (23.6) and rebounding (10.5) in Division I.

In the MAAC championship game, Mendez,

earned tournament MVP honors

"He'd start for anybody in our conference (the Big 12)," said Oklahoma coach Kelvin Sampson, whose Sooners drew Niagara in the opening round.

While playing for the Canadian National Team last summer, Mendez, who's 6-8, 245, went up against Yao Ming, the 7-6 Chinese star and Houston Rocket

Kelvin Sampson "He says he did OK," said Oklahoma State coach Niagara coach Joe Mihalich.

Loughton and Turiaf also are foreign born. Loughton is from Perth. Australia, and Turiaf from Martinique

Loughton, a 6-9 junior was the Colonial Athletic Association Player of the Year and averages 13.9 points and 8.1 rebounds. He had an impressive game in Old Dominion's overtime win over Virginia Commonwealth in the conference tournament championship game.

He's a throwback player, somebody who compensates for his lack of quickness with fundamental skills any coach would pass along to a clinic audience.

Turiaf, a 6-10, 249-pound senior, has a full beard and imposes himself on his opponents. Despite ankle problems, the West Coast Conference Player of the Year averages 16.1 points and 9.3 rebounds and blocks two shots



Johnny Mathies was the driving force in Creighton's Missouri Valley Conference tournament championship run, earning MVP honors.

All these mystery men have basketball pedi-grees that few fans know about. That could change this weekend.

Men's NCAA tournament

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Thursday, March 17
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Oklahoma (24-7) vs. Niagara (20-9)
Utah (27-5) vs. Texas-El Paso (27-7)
Friday, March 18
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Michigan State (22-6) vs. Old Dominion (28-5)
Duke (25-5) vs. Delaware State (19-13)
Stanford (18-12) vs. Mississippi State

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Semifinals

Friday, March 25

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Oakland continues surge — for now

Golden Grizzlies win play-in, earn right to face top-seeded Tar Heels

BY RUSTY MILLER

The Associated Press DAYTON, Ohio - Oakland can

still finish the season with a winning record. All the 13-18 Golden Grizzlies

have to do is beat top-seeded North Carolina on the Tar Heels' home court, and then pull off another five upsets during the next three weeks

"If we win the national championship, we'll finally get to 19-18," coach Greg Kampe said with a

The Golden Grizzlies took the first step Tuesday night at the University of Dayton, beating Alabama A&M 79-69 in the NCAA opening-round game behind Rawle Marshall's 29 points and Cortney Scott's 21

Oakland (13-18) won its sixth straight, including three upsets in as many days last week by a combined seven points to take the Mid-Continent Conference title and earn a berth in the field of 65

"There was a whole lot of adversity during the season," said Brandon Cassise, who added 13 points. "It brought us together. That's why we've played so well in these do-or-die games.'

The turnaround is almost incomprehensible for a team that was 7-18 and riding a three-game skid 18 days earlier. Almost as incredible, Oakland opened the sea son 0-7, losing by an average of 13 points a game, against Illinois, Marquette, Xavier, Missouri, Texas A&M, Kansas State and Saint Louis

The Golden Grizzlies became only the fifth team with a losing record to win an NCAA tournament game, joining Florida A&M (2004), UNC-Asheville (2003) and Siena (2002) - all at Dayton and Bradley (1955).

Obie Trotter scored 24 points and Joseph Martin added 22 for Alabama A&M (18-14), the Southwestern Athletic Conference regular-season and tournament cham-

A&M coach L. Vann Pettaway said his team was worn out from playing four games in six days, winning the conference tournament Sunday before hitting the road less than 24 hours later to make it to Dayton.

"We want to get back to the big dance, but we want to dance when we're rested," he said.

Both teams were making their first appearance in the NCAA tournament. Oakland made the imp from Division II to Division I in the 1997-98 season.

the Golden Grizzlies stretched the lead to 21 points with 5 minutes left, the embold-ened Oakland student section began chanting, "We want Tar Heels! We want Tar Heels!'

"This is surreal." Cassise said "I can't believe it's all happen-Marshall, a wirv 6-foot-7 senior

swingman expected to be taken in the NBA Draft this spring, had nine rebounds and three assists. His most dramatic play came

in the opening half when he took a pass on the right elbow, pump-faked a defender off his nd then sliced through the lane for a soaring dunk and foul. A crowd of 8.254 roared its ap-Ahead 38-35 at the break, Oak

land scored 16 of the first 18 points in the second half



Oakland's Rawle Marshall (1) bumps chests with Pierre Dukes (3) during the NCAA opening-round game with Alabama A&M on Tuesday in Dayton, Ohio. Marshall led Oakland to a 79-69 win with 29 points.

Temple knocked out in Chaney's return

The Associated Press

BLACKSBURG, Va. - John Chaney was more amused by his welcome back to Cassell Coliseum than by anything he saw once the game started

Making his return from a three-week suspension that has left his future uncertain, the Temple coach had an easier night than his team, which lost 60-50 to Virginia Tech in the first round of the NIT on Tuesday night.

"Wherever I go, I'm a lightning rod," Chaney said, smiling as he talked of being asked for autographs and booed by fans at Virginia Tech. a former Atlantic 10 rival of Chaney's Owls.

Zabian Dowdell scored 12 of his 16 points in the second half, six in a game-turning 8-0 run, and Virginia Tech cruised to victory in its first postseason game in nine years, leaving Chaney disgusted with his team.

"We don't shoot the ball consistently and we haven't all year," the 73-year-old Hall of Famer

"Our big guys cannot score if you sat them on top of the basket.

Men's NIT

We put them in and they don't rebound either. Talking basketball, Chaney

was passionate. Asked about his future, his famous sunken eyes widened, and he quickly closed the conversation. "I think I hear my mother call-

ing me," he said when asked

"I'll be leaving you now if you have no more questions [about] my kids. That's the only reason I'm here - to talk about the team and the game.

Temple athletic director Bill Bradshaw said Monday that he, Chaney and others will get together once the season is over to talk about the future.

The subject of the game was no bargain either for the Owls (16-14), who were trying to give their coach his 500th victory at Temple, but led only until Virginia Tech got a few three-pointers to fall in the first half.

Then the Hokies (16-13) gave the crowd of 7,416 plenty to cele-



Tuesday's loss was John Chaney's first game following a three-we suspension for sending in a player to commit hard fouls that left Saint Joseph's senior John Bryant with a broken arm.

"We just had to feel our way through the zone and a couple of guys stepped up," said Dowdell, finished 3-for-9 three-pointers.

Second-year coach Seth Green-

berg made sure his team knew of the Hokies' 1973 and 1995 NIT championships, and they seemed intent on adding to it.

"This is an opportunity. You don't build a championship pro-gram overnight. It's a process, and this is part of the process," he

The win was Virginia Tech's first against Temple in 10 tries. It was the fourth straight year Temple (16-14) has played in the NIT.

Holy Cross 78, Notre Dame 73: At South Bend, Ind., Kevin Hamilton scored a career-high 26 points, 11 during a 23-5 run in the Crusaders' (25-6) victory over the Fighting Irish (17-12).

South Carolina 69, Miami 67: At Columbia, S.C., Josh Gonner's driving basket with 2.1 seconds remaining lifted the Gamecocks (16-13) over the Hurricanes

DePaul 75, Missouri 70: At Columbia, Mo., Drake Diener scored a career-high 30 points and tied his career best with seven three-pointers as the Blue Demons (20-10) defeated the Tigers (16-17).

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SPORTS



Despite chipped bone in thumb, Iverson outplays Bryant in 76ers' win. Page 27

Creating an identity

Unknowns can make name for themselves in NCAAs

BY JOHN ROWE The Record (Bergen County, N.J.)

hances are you haven't heard of Johnny Mathies.
No, he isn't the singer who spells his name without the "e."

Mathies is a 6-foot guard at Creighton, one of many NCAA tournament players who until now have been household names only in their own households. That could change before this

The playing field is finally somewhat level for the Mathieses of college basketball. J.J. Redick of Duke and Chris Paul of Wake Forest are no longer images on a television screen. They are oppo-

Could there be another Mouse McFadden, the dynamic Cleve-land State guard of the mid-1980s, or Bryce Drew of Valparaiso, who made a game-winning three-pointer in 1998, in this tournament's group of quality but virtually unknown players.

There are plenty of candidates from which to choose. From guards such as Mathies, Ed McCants of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Tim Begley of Penn, to big men like Taylor Coppenrath of Vermont, Nick Fazekas of Neva-da, Juan Mendez of Niagara, Alex Loughton of Old Dominion and Ronny Turiaf of Gonzaga.

Mathies has underdog written all over him. Despite his size, the junior speedster from Louisville, Ky., is a shooting guard.

After one season at Dixie Junior College in Utah, Mathies joined Creighton in 2003-04, averaging 7.8 points and 1.8 assists. This season he's improved to 11.6 points and 2.2 assists for a team that makes nine three-pointers per game.

Mathies came up big in the Missouri Valley tournament, being selected MVP even though he didn't make any all-conference team.

With a junior-college background, McCants, a 6-3 senior, has a shooter's mentality. He averages 17.4 points and scored a career-high 38 against Detroit and makes 37 percent of his three-point tries. He hit four threes in the Horizon League

championship game.

Begley, the Ivy League Player of the Year, is a big guard (6-6), with an outside game He is averaging 13.7 points, 5.4 rebounds and 4.8 assists a game. He can be a defensive nightmare for a team with a small backcourt.

Coppenrath is the three-time America East Player of the Year who has helped the Catamounts advance to three straight NCAA tournaments. At 6-9, 257 pounds, he has an NBA-like body and a game that has some scouts comparing him to Dirk Nowitzki. He's waveraging 257 points and 89 rebounds and shooting 53.6 percent from the field.

Last year, Connecticut's Emeka Okafor helped limit Coppenrath, the nation's third-leading scorer at 24.7 points per game, to 12 points on 3-for-17 shooting

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sophomore and WAC Player of the Year, is one of the nation's premier big men and is determined to make a name for himself and his team in their second straight NCAA tournament.



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Niagara's 6-8 Juan Mendez is the only player in Division I in the top 10 in both scoring (23.6) and rebounding (10.5) average this season.





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